



Team Prayer Writing Contest

The CYO Board is looking for your help. As part of the continued development of our program, we would like to create our own SS. Philip & James CYO prayer. At recent meetings the board agreed who better to capture the true meaning of our program than you the athletes and students of SS. Philip & James Parish, and what better time to announce the contest during Catholic Schools week. This is your chance to express what SSPJ CYO means to you and have it prayed at every game and displayed for all to see!

Guidelines

1. Prayer should be no more than 100 words
2. Capture the spirit of the SSPJ CYO program and its mission
3. You may enter as many prayers as you would like
4. Any child that is a member of SS Philip & James Parish may participate
5. Submit entries via email or through school to Rene Coady, CYO Athletic Director(rbcoady@verizon.net) or Rob Reynolds, CYO Service & Spirituality(rob.reynolds@ironmountain.com)
6. All entries should be submitted by 2/7/2009
7. Winning author will win one CYO sport registration

The winning prayer will

- ✿ Be announced at our upcoming CYO prayer service for the Fall and Winter athletes
- ✿ Become the permanent prayer of SSPJ and used at the start of all CYO games
- ✿ Have a banner made with the prayer to be displayed in our gym

To help get you started, we have included a few sample prayers both from 5th graders in Philadelphia parishes.

Lord,

Give us the courage and strength as we play our game today. Help us to face any challenges that may arise and to play fairly. Let us enjoy what we play, with your loving guidance. Amen.

Dear God,

We will pray for safety, sportsmanship, and that we do our best. We will keep God in our hearts and believe in Him. We can help anybody we are competing against so we can all have fun and have the courage to skate with our heart. Amen.

