



**Archdiocese of San Antonio**



# **RETREAT SITES**

# Choosing a retreat team

Whether planning a retreat yourself or asking a group to assist in the planning, choosing who will interact with your youth in an important decision. Here are a few groups that assist in the planning and execution of weekend retreats for the parish. We strongly recommend that you work closely with any group that you invite into the parish to be sure that your goals for your retreat are met. There are positive and negatives for any group that you bring in for retreats.

## Office of Youth Ministry

Our office is available to assist your team in planning a day long weekend retreat or to bring in a turn key retreat. Our office has many years of planning experience and can use your theme or assist you in coming up with a theme.

## St. Mary's Youth Retreat Team (Texas A&M)

SMYRT... St. Mary's Youth Retreat Team. We are a team of college students so on fire with the love of Jesus Christ, that we can't help but share it with the younger generations. During the semester, our team prepares 5-6 spirit filled high-school or junior-high retreats. To get involved with the SMYRT team or find more info on how to get us to come to your parish, please use the Link below. God Bless!

<http://www.aggiecatholic.org/index.cfm?load=page&page=162>

## NET Retreats

In response to an urgent need to proclaim the Gospel to youth, 90 NET volunteers ages 18 to 28 are sent out in vans each year across the United States in teams of 10 to 12. The retreat teams share their faith during retreats and will encounter 60,000 youth, while the parish teams focus on building up individual parishes from September to May. Each team invites all they meet to give their lives to the only one who can satisfy their hungry hearts - Jesus Christ.

<http://www.netusa.org/netretreats/>

## Life in the Spirit Seminar (Charismatic Renewal Center)

(LITS) is a retreat used by God to bring teens to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, based on the nine gifts of the Holy Spirit found in 1Cor. 12:8-10. It consists of talks, skits, small group discussions and laying on of hands for the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

<http://www.youthstayingconnected.com/LitS.html>

## Mobile Ministry

Mobile Ministry is an ongoing project of the Sisters of Divine Providence and their associates. Its aim is to serve the Church in rural areas or other parishes that experience a need for further faith development. The team has served over 50 Catholic parishes and Catholic schools since August of 2005, traveling to various parts of Texas and Louisiana. A team of Sisters and associates is ready to serve your parish. We come to you well prepared with educational and catechetical backgrounds, spiritual preparation, and ministry experiences.

<http://www.cdptexas.org/mobileministry.html>

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## CHRISTIAN RENEWAL CENTER

1515 Hughes Rd.

P.O. Box 699

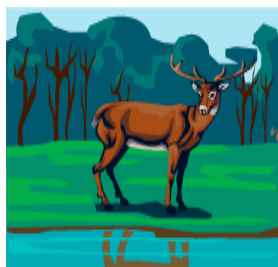
Dickinson, Texas 77539-0635

(281)337-1312 or WEBSITE: [www.retreatcentercrc.org](http://www.retreatcentercrc.org)

*Approximately 3 1/2 hours from San Antonio, in between Houston & Galveston*



- Accommodate over 100 people in 55 bedrooms, double or single occupancy, each with private bath.
  - 7 cabin lodges with a kitchen and can accommodate 56 in dorm-like camp setting.
  - Meeting and conference facilities.
  - Two chapels.
  - Four meeting rooms.
  - Full service cafeteria.
  - Recreational activities.
  - Call for reservations.
  - Call for meeting facility, conference room, Woodland Lodges, day and overnight rates.
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## DEER CREEK ADVENTURE CAMP

Box 200

Medina, Texas 78055

(830)589-7123 or WEBSITE: [www.deercreekcamp.com](http://www.deercreekcamp.com)

Contact Person: Jim Behling

*Approximately 1 1/2 hours from San Antonio*

- Cabins with bunk capacity of 220+.
  - Meals are provided.
  - Recreational activities.
  - Package rates include meals, audio visual equipment and all recreational activities and programming.
  - A 30% deposit is required with reservation.
  - Minimum group size of 24.
  - Bring your own linens and towels.
  - Call for rates.
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## EL SHADDAI RANCH

3000 FM 884

Yorktown, Texas 78164

(866)884-9488 or (361)564-9488 or WEBSITE: [www.elshaddai-ranch.com/](http://www.elshaddai-ranch.com/)

*70 miles southeast of San Antonio*

- Large and small meeting rooms.
  - Spacious dorms, cabins and RV sites.
  - Modern dining hall.
  - Recreational activities.
  - Fees include the use of all facilities, the preparation and serving of all meals in the dining room and medical insurance.
  - Rates are: one night/ 3 meals-\$40/person, two nights/ 6 meals-\$75/person, three nights/9 meals-\$110 person and range from \$40 to \$100 depending on time of use. Special rates for groups over 40. Over 70 guests 5% discount.
  - Day use rates are available upon request.
  - Groups under 25 will be charged an additional charge of 10%.
  - Reservation is required.
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## THE ANTONIAN RETREAT CENTER

6423 West Avenue

San Antonio, Texas 78213

(210)541-0426

Contact Person: Terry Kemmy

Located on the grounds of Antonian College Preparatory High School

- Open for ACTS Retreats, teen retreats, corporate conferences, day retreats and other special functions.
- Reservations available.
- Rates may vary.
- Call for further information.

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## BASTROP STATE PARK

P.O. Box 518, State Hwy. 21

Bastrop, Texas 78602-0518

1-800-792-1112 or (512)321-2101

*Approximately 2 hours travel time. 110 miles northeast of San Antonio on Texas 21*



- Campsites and 13 cabins, overlooking a lake, with kitchens accommodate 2-6 people.
- All cabins are completely furnished, including bed and bath linens.
- Recreational activities.
- Kitchen is equipped with range top, microwave and refrigerator, but does not include cooking and eating utensils.
- Group lodging-accommodates 8, campground pavilion-accommodates 25, dining hall-accommodates 90 and group barracks-accommodates 90.
- Picnicking, golfing, bicycling, swimming, bird watching and trails available.
- Call for reservations.
- Call for cabin, entrance fee, dining hall and group rates.

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## CAMP MYSTIC FOR GIRLS

HC2, Box 257

Hunt, Texas 78024-9712

(830)238-4660 or WEBSITE: [www.campmystic.com](http://www.campmystic.com)

Contact Persons: Tweety & Dick Eastland

*80 miles northwest of San Antonio on Texas Highway 39*

- Meals will be provided.
  - A deposit must accompany all applications for each term.
  - No linens provided.
  - Call for rates.
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CAMP TECABOCA  
P.O. Box 69, Hwy. 27  
Mountain Home, Texas 78058-0069  
(830)866-3425 or WEBSITE: [www.tecaboca.com](http://www.tecaboca.com)  
*Approximately 90 miles northwest of San Antonio off Highway 27*

- Several meeting rooms, dining hall and chapel.
- 4 bunk houses and 6 cabins.
- A two story winterized facility with a capacity of 40.
- Must provide your own meals.
- Large area for recreational activities.
- Call or check website for rates.

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MO-RANCH  
2229 FM 1340  
Hunt, Texas 78024-3037  
(800) 460-4401 or WEBSITE: [www.moranch.com](http://www.moranch.com)  
*90 miles northwest of San Antonio on Farm Road 1340*

- Dining hall facility to accommodate 500 per seating
- Cabins, campsites, picnic tables, grills, running water and central restroom/shower facilities
- The Wagon Wheel Café serving lunch and dinner
- Over 23,500 square feet of meeting space
- Summer camp for boys and girls
- Church retreats/conferences/corporate meetings/retreats, etc.
- Recreational activities
- Scheduled program activities
- Environmental Leadership program for school groups
- Call for group housing with or without kitchen, cabin, dining hall and day rates.

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MORNINGSTAR RANCH MINISTRIES  
22101-8 Senior Road  
Von Ormy, Texas 78073  
(210)624-2929 or WEBSITE: [www.morningstarranch.org](http://www.morningstarranch.org)

- 40 acres of great hiking and camping areas and a rustic “old west” cabin great for weekend retreats.
  - Petting Zoo
  - Picnic area
  - Stocked pond
  - Horse Activities
  - Call for group and individual rates.
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H.E.B. FOUNDATION CAMP  
P.O. Box 290670  
Kerrville, Texas 78029-0670  
(830) 792-1210 or WEBSITE: [www.hebuttdn.org](http://www.hebuttdn.org)

*Approximately 3 1/2 hours travel time from San Antonio. 70 miles northwest of S.A. on Hwy. 83*

- Six sites (Echo Valley-234 capacity, Singing Hills-154 capacity, Linnett Wings-84 capacity, Comanche Outpost-60 capacity, Wing Song-40 capacity, and Echo Bluff-30 capacity).
- Free of charge to qualified nonprofit groups; reservations on a first-come-first-served basis.
- All housing consists of cabins.
- No private rooms are available; all housing consists of bunk beds.
- Retreat are to be scheduled for Christian or educational purposes **ONLY**.
- Kitchen-group prepares own meals.
- Waterfront on river.
- Call for rates.

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GENESIS RANCH  
26229 N. Crane Mill Road  
Fischer, Texas 78133  
(830) 935-2557 or WEBSITE: [www.thegenesisranch.com](http://www.thegenesisranch.com)  
*Located between Austin and San Antonio*

- Open year round for conferences, picnics, family reunions, school outings, retreats.
  - Meeting areas both indoors and outdoors.
  - Ranch House is available as a bed & breakfast. Centrally heated and air conditioned. Will sleep 5 and has a fully equipped kitchen and screened in porch.
  - Great Oaks Lodge seats 200+-a smaller rooms on site easily houses 20.
  - The Red Barn Conference Center and the meeting room in Bob White Lodge accommodates 200 for meetings.
  - Bo White Lodge has 8 bedrooms, 10 bathrooms, a large meeting room and social room, complete with fireplaces and two full-length porches.
  - Covered pavilion accommodates 200.
  - Open air Chapel and small Gazebo will seat 40.
  - Numerous picnic tables throughout the Ranch.
  - House various size groups ranging from group cabins (16-18 persons), cottages (4-12 persons) and deluxe lodges (8-60 persons).
  - Company picnics accommodates as many as 1,000.
  - Several RV hook-ups and camp sites.
  - Recreational activities with all equipment provided.
  - Meals are served buffet style.
  - Call for reservations and more information.
  - Call or look at website for rates.
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LA ESCONDIDA RANCH RETREAT CENTER  
9900 Escondida Road  
Helotes, Texas 78023-9212  
(210) 695-9016  
*Located 30 minutes from downtown San Antonio*

- Facilities for meetings, weddings, workshops, family reunions and spiritual retreats.
- Meeting room with outdoor terrace and lily pond.
- Overnight lodging is available for groups of up to 16 persons.
- Meals can be prepared or bring your own.
- Call for rates.

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MOYE CENTER  
600 London St.  
Castroville, Texas 78009-4509  
(830) 931-2233 or WEBSITE: [www.moyecenter.org](http://www.moyecenter.org)  
*Located 22 miles west of San Antonio off US Highway 90 West in Castroville*

- Six meeting rooms with capacity of 10-80.
- Meeting room rates and dining room ranging from \$40-half day and \$70-full day.
- Large chapel and auditorium with capacity of 150 ranging from \$55-half day and \$100-full day.
- Overnight accommodations; meals not included. Each overnight group has one meeting room with their booking.
- Small historical chapel with capacity of 28.
- Meal (arrangements must be made at least 10 days in advance of visit) rates may vary.
- Group snack rates may vary.
- Deposit is required for reservations with overnight accommodations.
- Linens provided.
- Call for accommodation, Retreat House Suite, meal and group snack rates.

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OMEGA RETREAT CENTER  
216 West Highland Drive  
Boerne, Texas 78006-2516  
(830) 816-8470 or WEBSITE: [www.boernebenedictines.com](http://www.boernebenedictines.com)

- Two lodging areas with a capacity of 60.
  - A two-story private retreat facility with a full kitchen, prepare your own meals; bedding and towels are provided; minimum stay: two nights.
  - 1 large conference room with capacity of 150.
  - 2 medium conference rooms with capacity of 35.
  - A dining room with capacity of 100.
  - Three chapels including a small Blessed Sacrament chapel.
  - Recreational Area for activities.
  - Deposit is only required for large groups of 20 or more.
  - Linens are not provided in large groups only in a group less than 10.
  - Call for reservations.
  - Call for overnight, day and meal rates.
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**Eagle's Wings Retreat Center**  
**PO Box 248**  
**Burnet, TX 78611**

**Wellsprings retreat center**