Moate community School Students Attend

AYM Conference on Youth Ministry 2010

The School were delighted to have the opportunity to attend the Youth Ministry conference on 13th February 2010 in St Mel's Pastoral Centre, Longford. The conference was aimed at youth group leaders, priests and other religious, teachers, parents, young people and anyone interested in developing faith in young people. The Chaplain Ms. Carmel Mc Cormack and two fifth year students, Arlene Coughlan and Amy Ballesty attended.

The Bishops words of support and encouragement for Youth Ministry at the start of the day set the tone for what was to be a very productive and positive Day. The youth are the future of the church and only by inviting them in and welcoming them can we hope to harness their energy, enthusiasm and faith.
The diocese is doing great work in the area of Youth Ministry and the outline of the Diocesan strategy for youth ministry by Mr. Pat Breen emphasized the Diocese commitment to Youth Ministry. The appointment of Fr Patsy McDermott as Diocesan Youth Director further points to a huge commitment been made by the diocese.

The afternoon allowed each person present to contribute to the future workings of the Diocese in Youth Ministry as everybody was offered the opportunity to submit ideas and suggestions. Ardagh and Clonmacnois Youth Ministry (AYM) are currently looking to implement the national framework for youth ministry and a working group has been set up. For further information check out www.aym.ie or www.moatecs.com.