

What is the VAKS programme?

The Volunteer@Knock Shrine programme is for all people from 16 to 18 years old.

It is an opportunity for you to serve the pilgrims at Knock Shrine. Over I million people visit Ireland's Eucharistic and Marian Shrine every year from home and abroad.

It is a special place of prayer and pilgrimage.

Why Volunteer?

- Volunteering can add a great deal to your life and to the lives of those you are working with
- It also gives you the chance to try out something different to your 'everyday' job
- To form new friendships
- To develop/acquire interpersonal skills
- · To have fun!
- To enhance your skillset/experience for University and employment
- · To share your talents
- To receive recognition for your voluntary hours of service through the John Paul II awards
- · To give something back
- To make a difference in the lives of others
- To obtain training in areas such as Child Safeguarding and Protection and/or First Aid
- Volunteering provides many benefits to both mental and physical health



New for 2024!

Stay in the amazing new Youth Village at Knock Shrine.

Nestled in mature grounds, close to Knock Shrine, the Youth Village offers high quality and comfortable accommodation with self-catering facilities. The Pods are located in a secure environment, offering serenity and a deep connection with the environment This new space is exclusively reserved for our VAKS each weekend over the summer season. This will be your home away from home here at the Shrine and offers a fun place to meet and engage with your fellow VAKS and to unwind in the evening in your own

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dedicated space.

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