

## ST. AGNES KOUYING TSAO CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dear Parishioners.

On Sunday, July 6th, 2025, our Youth Ministry Team had the tremendous blessing of hosting the *Igniting Youth Gala 2025* at Crystal Fountain Event Venue. With over 130 participants, this was the largest gathering of youth for our parish and an incredible milestone for our parish community.

We would like to take this moment to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who helped turn this vision into reality. A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated Youth Gala Cor Team, Richard Kwong, Carmen Fong, Katie Zou, Chloe Chan, Charlotte Wong, and Jason Lau, for their tireless planning and commitment. All volunteers who helped set up the event venue. To our PPC liaisons, Savio and Anthony, thank you for your unwavering support and guidance every step of the way.

We are also deeply grateful to our clergy and special guests, Fr. Francis Chong, Fr. Matthew Wang, Fr. John Wang, Dcn. Thomas Kung, Sr. Magdalena Yang, Fr. Philip Tan, Fr. Edmund Lo, Dcn. Gordon Lee and his wife, Br. Louis, Aloysius, and Tulio, who took the time to attend and connect meaningfully with our youth at every table. Thank you to our DJ Quin and AV Team for keeping the evening lively and seamless, to the ministry groups and parishioners who offered generous donations, and to everyone who contributed to our Youth Gala Fundraiser.

This night was more than just a celebration, it was a testament to how our parish truly ignites the hearts of our young people. Through heartfelt testimonies from youth leaders, an inspiring introduction to vocations by Fr. Raphael Ma, and a moving story shared by Fr. Matthew Wang, our youth were reminded of the power of faith, friendship, and the sense of community our parish offers. Our Spotlight Awards, which recognized outstanding leadership and service, highlighted the incredible contributions of our young people. Last but not least, the evening ended on a high note with a dance after we shared a delicious meal and dessert together.

The *Igniting Youth Gala 2025* was not just an event, but a beautiful beginning. We pray it will inspire even more opportunities to bring our youth together to grow in faith, serve in ministry, and continue *Serving in Light* with the support of our parish family. Together, we are building a vibrant future for our youth at our parish. Thank you and God Bless.

Sincerely,

Richard Kwong Igniting Youth Gala 2025

Co-Chair

Carmen Fong

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