



# YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

## Joyful leadership transition at thriving Catholic apostolate *Peter Blute succeeds founder Jennifer Baugh at YCP*

DALLAS, Texas — Peter Blute will succeed Jennifer Baugh as Executive Director of Young Catholic Professionals (YCP), the nation's largest young professional Catholic network. Blute, who currently serves as YCP's Chief Operating Officer, has helped guide the apostolate's growth for nearly a decade. He will step into the new leadership role on May 1, 2024, the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker.

Baugh, who founded YCP in 2010, will continue in an official capacity as a senior staff advisor and permanent member of the organization's National Board of Directors. YCP boasts 40 chapters across 25 U.S. states and relationships with young adults and Catholic executives around the world.

"Peter is the right person for this pivotal moment," Baugh said. "YCP is ready for this important step that solidifies this ministry as a vibrant, lasting apostolate. Additionally, God is calling me to devote more time to my beautiful and growing family. With three boys under five years old, I must do everything I can to raise them to be saints!"



**PETER BLUTE.** After joining YCP as its Vice President of Operations (and the apostolate's second full-time employee) in October 2014, Peter has helped guide and manage the organization's growth with founder Jennifer Baugh for the last 10 years. He was promoted to Chief Operating Officer in January 2022. Today, he manages YCP's national operations, technology, marketing, finance, and programs. After earning a Bachelor of Arts in English from the University of Dallas in 2013, Peter worked for OnTarget Partners, growing their marketing and sales efforts. It was during this period that he learned of YCP's mission as a member and volunteer. This led to a renewed desire to embrace his Catholic Faith. Peter and his wife Laura live in Dallas with their three little girls.



**JENNIFER BAUGH.** In 2010, Jennifer founded YCP with a mission to "Work in Witness for Christ." She has served as the apostolate's Founder and Executive Director since its inception. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Marketing from Trinity University and an MBA from Texas A&M University. Jennifer worked for Merrill Lynch in the Global Wealth Management practice and for FTI Consulting in the Corporate Restructuring practice before founding YCP. Jennifer is the mom of three rambunctious little boys and is excited to serve the thriving apostolate in a new way that allows her to prioritize raising her family and save energy for toddler adventures.



**YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS** is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization on a mission to challenge, train, and inspire young adults working in various professions to *Work in Witness for Christ*. YCP brings together young adults and seasoned business professionals in various events to foster Catholic identity, encourage community, and inspire action. Founded in 2010, YCP boasts 40 chapters across 25 U.S. states and relationships with young adults and Catholic executives around the world.



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