Our students:

Do not go to mass regularly Do not go to confession See very little relationship between sex and faith/religion Do not hold themselves accountable to much church teaching Do not know much of what the Church teaches Do not have any devotion to the saints Come from families that do not attend mass regularly Are very active sexually Seldom experience the Church as healing Often experience the church as alienating

Do pray quite regularly Do yearn for intimacy Do yearn for community Are extremely generous Do volunteer regularly and love it do cherish group experiences do crave retreats are able to make great use of silence and reflection time when it is offered to them do pay close attention to homilies do like to talk one-on-one with Chaplains and other adults do get involved with liturgy when they are invited

Do find God in lots of places: music, friends, nature, the ocean, my journal, music, the Bible, praying, friends, music, family, the Chapel, Narragansett, music, the Eucharist, 11:00 Mass, music, boyfriends, girlfriends, candles, music.

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