

Life Teen High School Youth Calendar
Sunday Nights 6:30pm-8pm in CYM room

AUGUST: Welcome Back Month!!

- 13: Welcome Back: Movie Night
- 20: Welcome Back: Game Night
- 27: Welcome Back: Kick. Off

SEPTEMBER:

- 10: Life Night
- 17: Life Night
- 24: Life Night
- 27: XLT

OCTOBER:

- 1: Life Night
- 8: No Life Night
- 15: Life Night
- 22: Life Night
- 25: Halloween Party with COR
- 28: HNJ Fall Festival
- 29: Life Night

NOVEMBER:

- 1: All Saints Day- Holy Day
- 5: Life Night
- 12: Life Night
- 20 and 27: No Life Teen
Happy Thanksgiving!!

DECEMBER:

- 3: Life Night
- 7: Paperwork & Fees due for youth conference
- 10: Life Night
- 17: Life Teen Christmas Party
- 24: No Life Teen Merry Christmas!!!
- 31: No Life Night Happy New Year!!

JANUARY:

- 7: Life Night
- 14: Life Night
- 21: Life Night
- 27: Diocesan Youth Conference
- 28: Diocesan Youth Conference
- 29: Diocesan Youth Conference

FEBRUARY:

- 4: Life Night
- 11: Life Night
- 18: No Life Night
- 25: Life Night

MARCH:

- 4: Life Night
- 11: Life Night
- 18: No Life Night Spring Break
- 25: Life Night
- 26: Stations of the Cross Practice
- 30: Stations of the Cross 7pm

APRIL:

- 6: Campout
- 7: Campout
- 8: Campout
- 15: Life Night
- 22: Life Night
- 29: No Life Night. Confirmation

MAY:

- 5-6: NET Retreat
- 21: Senior Mass and Reception



Sacramental Preparation



"The sacraments of Christian initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist—lay the foundations of every Christian life." CCC #1212

***Sacramental Preparation Years are:**

- 2nd Grade for Reconciliation & First Communion
- 9th Grade for Confirmation

**Sacramental Preparation is separate and distinct from the regular Rel Ed, Edge, or Life Teen programs*



For more information or for any questions on 1st Reconciliation/ 1st Communion please contact:

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Holy Name of Jesus 2017 Faith Formation

Bringing Faith to Life and Life to Faith

PARENT HANDBOOK

Dear Parents and Guardians,

You are the first and primary religious educators of your children. You are the role models that shape their beliefs about God, the Church, and living a Christian life. You introduce your children to Christ.

Our greatest desire is that together we, families and parish, will direct our words, thoughts, actions, activities and prayers to what Pope Francis calls the *ōbedrockō* of what we ought to be passing on-- the Kerygma: *"Jesus Christ loves you; He gave His life to save you; and now He is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you."*

Christ is living at our side every day! we are not going it alone. We also have one another in this mission to love and serve the Lord. Parents, thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child's faith formation. We are honored that you have entrusted us.

We look forward to the new school year and continuing to grow in faith and understanding. As we all continue to seek the truth, be Christ to all and *to see* Christ in all. Christ is here for us and He loves us. Share the Good News with all those you love.

May God Bless You All,

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Safety 1st!

ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL

- Upon arrival, children & youth go directly to their assigned classroom.
- Upon dismissal, **4 year olds through 3rd grade must be picked up at the classroom by a parent or older sibling.**
- 4th grade and older will be dismissed from the classroom. Children must wait on the sidewalk until a parent or guardian arrives. **Children will not be permitted to walk across the parking lot without an adult.**



DRIVERS - VERY IMPORTANT!

The SAFETY of ALL CHILDREN & YOUTH is of absolute IMPORTANCE!

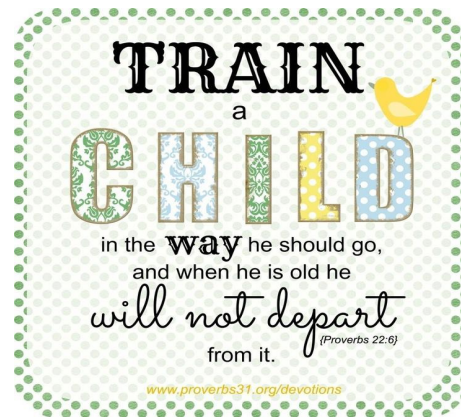
Please stay to the right of the large oak tree when dropping off children for RE and Youth Groups.

- Vehicles should not enter the NO PARKING areas CLOSEST TO THE R.E. BLDG marked with yellow stripes.
- Please abide by the speed limits, especially on Ivy and 17th Street. (Avoiding 17th Street is highly recommended.)

Attendance, Conduct & Discipline

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is expected of all students. Please contact Lisa or Aaron if your child or youth is absent so that we can check after your child's well being and if appropriate, send make up lessons home.



CONDUCT & DISCIPLINE

Proper conduct toward adults, each other, and HNJ property in the form of respect and courtesy is expected of all children and youth before, during and after class. If your student is experiencing difficulties please let us know!

Electronic Devices

Electronic devices (cell phones, video games, iPods, tablets, etc.) have become a regular part of daily life. They also sometimes disrupt classrooms by making sounds or grabbing the attention of their owners or neighbors. Faith Formation is a time to become connected to God as well as our faith community around us. Therefore, there will be a no electronic devices policy for all Faith Formation students. This policy seeks to create a more positive environment while allowing for the necessary use of technology that is part of our world. Please read the policy as a family :

- Unless otherwise directed, students are not allowed to have any electronic devices out during class time. If they do have them out, these devices will be taken away until the class is over. As a way to help students and catechists stay tuned in, we ask that electronics are silenced or turned off then placed in the cell phone basket in each classroom.
- Students who try to hide a device under a table (to conceal using it), will be asked to turn it in.
- If any student has a legitimate need to use a cell phone during class time, they should explain the need to the Program Director in advance, and they may be granted permission.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CALENDAR Sundays 9:30-10:45am in the Religious Education Building

AUGUST

20: RE Begins
27: RE- Installation of Catechists 11 am Mass

SEPTEMBER

3: No RE
10: RE
17: RE
24: RE . Family Mass @ 11am (5th Grade)

OCTOBER

1: RE
8: No RE
15: RE
22: RE
28: Parish Fall Festival
29: RE . Family Mass @ 11am (4th grade)
All Saint's Parade

NOVEMBER

5: RE-(Daylight Savings Time)
12: RE
19: No RE (Thanksgiving)
26: No RE-Family Mass @11am (Middle School)

DECEMBER

3: RE
10: RE
4/5th Grade Rehearsal
17: No RE. Christmas Mass Dress Rehearsal 9:30am
24: Children's Christmas Eve Mass
25: Merry Christmas
31: No-RE (Happy New Year)

JANUARY

1: (Happy New Year)
7: RE Resumes
14: RE
21: RE
28: RE. Family Mass @ 11am (4th Grade)

FEBRUARY

4: RE
11: RE
18: No RE (Pres. Day)
25: RE
Family Mass @ 11am

MARCH

4: RE
11: RE
18: No RE (Spring Break)
25: NoRE (Spring Break)

APRIL

1: Happy Easter No RE Family Mass @ 11am
8: RE (Divine Mercy)
15: RE
22: RE
28: First Communion
29: RE- Family Mass @ 11am 5th Grade

MAY

6: RE. Final Class May Crowning @ 11am
13: Mother's Day
20: Family Mass @11am Middle School

EDGE Middle School Youth Calendar Wednesdays 6:30pm-8pm in CYM Zone

AUGUST: Welcome Back Month!!

19. Welcome Back: Movie Night
23. Welcome Back Game Night
30. Welcome Back!! Kick Off

SEPTEMBER:

6: EDGE Night
13: EDGE Night
20: EDGE Night
27: EDGE Night. Deanery XLT

OCTOBER:

4: EDGE Night,
11: EDGE Night
18: EDGE Night
25: Halloween Party With COR

NOVEMBER:

1: NO EDGE. All Saints Day Holy Day
8: EDGE Night
16: EDGE Night
22: No EDGE Happy Thanksgiving!!
39: EDGE Night
DECEMBER:
6: Advent XLT
13: Advent/Christmas Celebration
20: No EDGE Merry Christmas!!!
27: No EDGE Happy New

JANUARY:

3: No EDGE
10: EDGE Night
17: EDGE Night
24: EDGE Night
31: EDGE Night

FEBRUARY:

7: EDGE Night
14: EDGE Night Ash Wednesday+
21: EDGE Night
22: Permission -\$25 due for Retreat
28: EDGE Night

MARCH:

7: EDGE Night Ash Wednesday+
10: Diocesan Middle School retreat at HNJ
14: EDGE Night
21: No EDGE Night (Spring Break)
28: EDGE Night

APRIL:

4: EDGE Night
11: EDGE Night
18: EDGE Night
25: EDGE Night (Welcome 5th Grade)

MAY:

2: EDGE Night
9: Final EDGE Night

July:

AMPLIFY. Middle School Summer Camp



For more Information



www.holynameryouth.org

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