



“How can we carry out the Gospel without drawing the energy needed to do it, one Sunday after another, from the limitless source of the Eucharist?”

Pope Francis (12/13/17)

High School Formation

August 2023

Planning for the coming year is underway, as we continue to incorporate a youth ministry perspective, teens will also continue to have opportunities for **service** experiences, **retreats**, and **peer ministry** to complement the formation they receive within Faith Formation.

Youth ministry is the way in which we invite our young people to know Jesus Christ. Like all catechesis the intention is to “put (young) people not only in touch, but also in communion and intimacy, with Jesus Christ” (National Directory of Catechesis, par 80).

Register now on our parish website: www.eastsideparishes.org/ff
Your family pre-printed registration form is enclosed. You can also stop by and pick up printed registration materials at the St. Michael office at 611 Stark Street, or by calling and asking that we mail the materials to you.

High School Faith Formation

- Sessions for those in grades 9-12, NOT attending Newman Catholic Schools.
- This ministry is grounded in *"Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry"* (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1997).
- **Sunday Evenings** – while NO day/time is ‘conflict free’, this is a lighter time for activities.

Confirmation Preparation Registration (typically 10th grade)

- Faith Formation families ‘check’ additional box on Form A that is required for all those in 10th grade who wish to be confirmed.
- Teens continue receiving ongoing formation through the Faith Formation Program or Newman Catholic Schools during sacramental preparation.

September 20, Wednesday, 6:00pm

Parent/Guardian Gathering with Open House all Children/Youth

We will begin with prayer, opportunity to connect with other families, and an overview of the year that lies ahead. The areas we will be using for each particular age group will be open following the meeting. The catechists that will be walking with each group this year will also be present.

Please don’t hesitate to reach out with insights, questions or feedback as we seek to engage our young church.

God Bless,

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Components of Youth Ministry

Catechesis: increasing the faith knowledge of teens

Service and Justice: calling young people into the life and mission of the Church

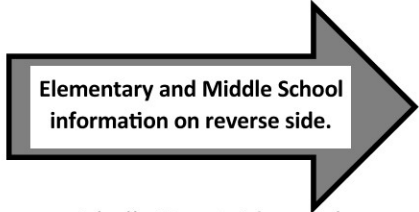
Prayer and Worship: recognizing and nurturing the relationship teens have with God

Evangelization: sharing the Good News

Advocacy: giving voice to the young church

Pastoral Care: providing care during times of crisis, promoting positive strategies for development

Leadership Development: calling forth the gifts and talents of teens and empowering them to share them



Elementary and Middle School information on reverse side.

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