



POP Youth Group News

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Youth Group Update

The third annual pumpkin sale was a great success. While we did not sell everything, many have said they appreciated the festive appearance the pumpkins and hay bales have given the gathering space and parish grounds. Many young ones enjoyed the addition of the maze, and we will continue to develop this feature in years to come. A big THANK YOU to all who supported our efforts. The youth members who helped with the setup and sales of the pumpkins helped earn money toward our travel and supply funds needed for attending Catholic Heart Workcamp.

The youth leaders have been meeting and planning activities for the next few months. We are planning to participate in Archdiocesan events, as well as our own activities, such as: Vicariate Service Day, **Prince of Peace Coat Drive on Nov. 12th and 13th**, National Catholic Youth Conference, camping and more. Stay tuned to future Teen Newsletters to find out more about these activities and events.

In December, we will be in the gathering space for Christmas Masses with the Live Nativity. Please consider being part of this amazing display and sign up. Oh, by the way, if you know someone who has a donkey, please let us know. Fr. Gerald has said yes if we can find one to use for the display on Saturday evening.

Teen Mass Update

Congratulations to the Confirmation Class of 2016! Last month, our Teen Mass had the Confirmation Class of 2016 in attendance to conclude their retreat experience earlier the same day. We had a large crowd for Mass and many stayed afterward for the activity. It was a long day for all of us but thank you for staying! We hope we will see many return to celebrate the Mass with us again each month.

This month, the youth leadership would like to focus on finding out where our young adult parish members are going to college or serving in the military. With breaks occurring this month and next, for Thanksgiving and Christmas, we would like to get addresses so we can send care packages. Please go to the Prince of Peace parish website and fill out the form for someone, or for yourself.

The next Teen Mass will be celebrated on November 20th at 5PM. Choir practice will be at 3:30PM in meeting room 6. Following the Teen Mass, we will have fellowship and activities - so come join us afterwards for fun and food!

For all You have given, Thank You God.

For all You have withheld, Thank You God.

For all You have withdrawn, Thank You God.

For all You have permitted, Thank You God.

For all You have prevented, Thank You God.

For all You have forgiven me, Thank You God.

For all You have prepared for me, Thank You God.

For the death You have chosen for me, Thank you God.

For the place you are keeping for me in heaven, Thank You God.

For having created me to love You for eternity, Thank You God.

Catholic HEART Workcamp 2017

Sign ups for CHWC are going very well. We only have a few spots left, so don't wait! We need you to please return the registration form with your \$100 non-refundable down payment. We need your commitment by **November 30th**. The pumpkin sale this month was the first opportunity to earn money towards the travel and supply costs of attending CHWC. Please be sure to register so we can keep you informed of fund raising events and activities.

Upcoming Events

Youth Ministry Leadership Meetings - Monday Nov 14 & 28th Planning Meeting and discussion at 7pm followed by Adoration and Benediction.

Clothing Drive Service Help - Sat & Sun Nov 12th & 13th Assist with the warm clothing drive collection before and after the weekend Masses.

Teen Mass- Sunday Nov 20th

5pm Mass with ensemble practice at 3:30pm. Join us afterwards for fun and food. Assemble care packages!

CHWC 2017 Sign-Up Deadline - Wednesday Nov 30th

All applications & registration fees due unless all reserved spots have been taken.

Vicariate I Service Day - Sunday Dec 4th 2-7pm

The annual service day helps those in need in the area. Please save the date now so you can help your community.

Youth Ministry Leadership Meetings - Mondays Dec 12th & 19th Planning Meeting and discussion at 7pm followed by Adoration and Benediction.

Teen Mass- Sunday Dec 18th

5pm Mass with ensemble practice at 3:30pm. Join us afterwards for fun and food. Scavenger Hunt!

Live Nativity - Sat Dec 24th & Sun Dec 25th

Before each Mass, we have a live nativity setup in the library for people to see when they come to Mass.

Youth Ministry Leadership Meetings - Monday Jan 9th & 23rd Planning Meeting and discussion at 7pm followed by Adoration and Benediction.

Activity Night—Soon to be determined

Come join the Youth Group for a fun evening of activity! Stay tuned for more information and dates.

Teen Mass—Sun Jan 15th

Mass starts at 5PM. Ensemble warm-up session at 3:30PM. Activity, gathering, and food after Mass.

Enchanted Castle - All Night Lock-In - Friday February 3rd

We leave at 10:30pm and get back about 7am. Fun, fun, fun!

Youth Leadership (Crew 131) Update

Last month, our youth leadership assisted with the Beep Baseball activity during the Confirmation retreat. In case you are not aware, Beep Baseball is an experience of playing baseball blind. The youth leadership helped run the activity and helped prevent the blinded players from running into each other. Everyone enjoyed the experience.

The youth also arranged for some away time at the end of October. We camped at Pike Lake Unit in Kettle Moraine State Park in WI on Friday night and then hiked 8 miles on Saturday, south to the Holy Hill Basilica. The weather was perfect! The colors in the trees were beautiful, and the time together was peaceful! The way was not easy, but spending quiet time walking with God was amazing. Thanks God and let's do it again soon.

National Vocation Awareness Week USCCB November 6-12, 2016

National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate & consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations.

Pope Francis' message on March 26, 2014:

"What should one do if one wants to become a priest? Where do they sell admission to the priesthood? They don't sell it. This is something that begins with the Lord's initiative. The Lord calls each one who wants to become a priest. Maybe there are some young men here who feel this call in their hearts, the wish to become priests, the wish to serve others in the things that come from God. The wish to give one's whole life in service, to catechize, baptize, forgive, celebrate the Eucharist, heal the sick - the whole life like this. If any of you has this desire in his heart, it's Jesus who has put it there. Care for this invitation. Pray that this grows and that it gives fruit for the whole church."

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