

Youth & Children's Voice

Sunday School Pretzel Making

Pretzel time is here! Join us in the Parish Hall March 6th following 9 am Family-friendly Worship. We'll make pretzels, a traditional prayer symbol. See the Children's Ministry board for more history of the pretzel. If you'd like to help out, we need volunteers to bring in dough, man the ovens and pre-bake pretzels. Please contact Christine Karp, 651/ or Sheila Foster, 651/429-5351 ext. 12, for more information.

St. Patrick's Celebration and Dinner

Wednesday, March 18 will be an Irish Celebration filled with Irish food & fun. Come help us celebrate. There will be no COFTA on this night.

Date Change for Regional Confirmation! Saturday, April 25th, 11 am

The Regional Confirmation Service at St. Mark's Cathedral has historically taken place in May. This year they have changed the date to April 25. Please mark your calendar accordingly. All youth who are in St. John's 2nd Year Confirmation program will need to make an appointment with Sheila Foster in March. All names of confirmation candidates must be given to the Diocese before April 10.

Northern Teens Encounter Christ

This spiritual renewal weekend will take place March 27-29 here at St. John's. This marks 20 years of the Northern TEC program, and the 1st opportunity St. John's has had to host the weekend. Twenty years ago a group of St. John's youth traveled to Northern Minnesota to help restart the TEC weekend for the northern region. Since then St. John's youth have become an integral part of the program. Registration forms for both team & candidates (those attending for the 1st time) can be found by the Youth Minister's office on the 4th floor. Questions can be directed to Sheila Foster.



Celebrating Our Faith Through The Arts (COFTA)

COFTA is a drama arts group for youth 4th-12th graders. We will prepare dramas for the Easter Vigil & Easter Day. This would be a great opportunity for more youth to get involved. The more youth we have, the more we can do, & the more fun we have. Perhaps the sport that has kept you busy on Wednesday evenings & Sunday mornings has ended, and you're looking for something new to do. Come join us at 6 pm Wednesday evenings in St. Bernard's Room on the 4th floor, or contact Sheila Foster for information about how you can help.

Confirmation Youth (1st & 2nd Year) Important Holy Week information (April 8-12)

Holy Week is coming. There is an expectation for confirmation youth to be involved. Wednesday, April 8, is an opportunity for reconciliation. All youth need to participate in the process between the hours of 4 - 7 pm. Youth are in charge of the Maundy Thursday Foot Washing & the music during the foot washing. We'll need everyone on board to make this a good worship experience. The Youth Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil overnight follows the service. All confirmation youth are expected to stay through the noon Good Friday Service. At the overnight we will pray, put together the 10 am Good Friday Interactive stations of the cross, color Easter eggs, & bake mini-muffins for Easter Day. Sleep will also be required.

Don't Forget these dates

March

- 5 TEC Team Meeting Overnight here at St. John's
- 18 5:30 pm St. Patrick's Celebration Dinner and 7pm Worship (no COFTA)
- 26 Great Northern Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) here at St. John's through the 29th

April

- 8 Reconciliation 4-7 pm in the Sanctuary All Confirmation Youth must participate
- 9 Maundy Thursday; Youth in charge of foot washing; Prayer Vigil Overnight
- 10 Good Friday Stations of the Cross 10 am
- 11 Easter Vigil 4 pm

Weekly Events

Wednesdays 6 - 7:30 pm

CAP (Children's Activity Program) ages 3-7, & COFTA (Celebrating Our Faith Through the Arts) 4th-12th grades. (Grades 2+ may join Youth Choir.)

Sundays 10 am

education for children, Jr. High (grades 6-8), Sr. High (grades 9-12), & adults (Parlor, mail floor)

Looking to Summer

June

- 15-19 VBS for age 3 - grade 5

July

- 6-11 *In-state* Mission Trip grades 8-12

August

- 9-15 Episcopal Youth Music Camp