



## MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP NEWSLETTER September - October 2011

A new year has begun for the Holy Cross Middle School Youth Group. Periodically we will have newsletters to keep you informed on our plans, special events, needs, etc. Our program is flexible allowing us to participate in parish happenings and special holidays. Please don't hesitate to contact us with that "good idea" to include in our calendar.

This year we are introducing "Circle of Grace", a parish program that recognizes God who is with us always and is there to help in difficult situations. Our fall program will be the the Discovery course, Making Decisions. During early adolescence a great deal of attention is paid to the values of peers and to persuasive outside influences. As young people discover their own power to make and be responsible for decisions they seek guidance from their closest friendships, families and the rest of the world. This course emphasis the connections between actions and consequences as well as between their faith and everyday life.

### September and October Calendar:

September 15 - Opening meeting, Parish Hall meeting room, parents invited to join us, 7:00-8:30 PM – Special treat: BROWNIE DELIGHTS

September 22 - Regular meeting, Parish Hall meeting room, 7:00-8:30 PM

September 29 - Regular meeting, Parish Hall meeting room, 7:00-8:30 PM

\*\*\*We will be **decorating** goodies for our booth at the Holy Cross Carnival. We have lots of decorative toppings – **need donations** of chocolate frostings and items to decorate like cookies, brownies, etc.

October 2- **Holy Cross Carnival**, 10-3 PM, MSYG booth, "**Chocolate Factory**". \*\*\*donations of Chocolate treats and desserts are needed as well as student to help in the booth\*\*\*

October 6- Regular meeting, Parish Hall meeting room, 7:00-8:30 PM

October 13 - Regular meeting, Parish Hall meeting room, 7:00-8:30 PM

October 20 - Regular meeting, Parish Hall meeting room, 7:00-8:30 PM

October 27 - Regular meeting, Parish Hall meeting room, 7:00-8:30 PM

**October 30 -Parish Celebration of Saints and Pumpkin Carving** \*\* This event begins with 5:00 PM Mass and continues in the Parish Hall. There will be MSYGroup **Pumpkin Carving**. Everyone is to bring a **pumpkin** for carving. We have a few tools and fun patterns, bringing your own tools are a good idea. Guests are welcomed.

God bless you all, Kathy, 423-0369



