

# Holy Cross . . . a place where YOUth belong

## Youth Ministry News

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Holy Cross Youth Ministry Commission is committed to empowering the youth of our parish by nurturing and affirming their gifts, talents and self-esteem.

### Thank You



Youth Ministry Members collected \$ 670 in their Soup Pots after Masses on Super Bowl Weekend. The money was split between CRS for hunger relief in Haiti and St. Francis Soup Kitchen to support their work with the homeless in our community.

### Confirmation Information

#### Year 2 Covenant Ritual

**Sunday, March 7 8:30 Mass**

This ritual marks the beginning of the final time of preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation. All Year 2 Candidates and Sponsors (or stand-in) should plan to arrive no later than 8:15 a.m. to be ready.

#### Confirmation Session – March 7, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

We will gather in the Parish Hall

- Year 1 Topic: The Beatitudes
- Year 2 Topic: Reflecting on the Retreat & the Rite  
The Gift of Knowledge

#### Confirmation Session – March 28, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

We will gather in the Parish Hall

- Year 1 Topic: The Parables of Jesus
- Year 2 Topic: Fruits of the Holy Spirit  
The Gift of Reverence

**Wondering what to do after Confirmation?  
Or what to do this summer? Check this out:**

June 28 - July 2, 2010

Serra Leadership Institute  
Camp St. Francis in Aptos

A journey for the Young Church! A new kind of leadership experience in the Diocese of Monterey, perfect for those teens interested in serving as youth leaders in their parish or school. Cost is \$165.00 per person, and includes food, lodging, supplies and t-shirt. See Mary Sue if you are interested in attending (Scholarships available).

### Journey through Lent With Youth Ministry

The three Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving help us to strengthen our relationship with God and with one another. During Lent, all High School Students are invited to join Youth Ministry in supporting Catholic Relief Service's Operation Rice Bowl by your fasting and almsgiving. Join us on Sunday nights in March to learn more about Social Justice and Catholic Social Teaching.



#### Youth Ministry Lenten Series ~ Two evenings on Social Justice

**Sunday, March 14:**

**Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching**  
6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall

**Sunday, March 21:**

**Showing of the Film *Romero***  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room

#### March Events of Interest for Teens and their Families

**Novena for an end to Violence in our Community:**  
Beginning March 16

**March 21: St. Joseph's Table**

Doors open at 3; Dinner 4-6 p.m. Parish Hall

**March 25: Labyrinth Walk – 7 p.m. Parish Hall**

This ends our novena and culminates in a gathering to seek action in response to gang violence in our community.

**March 27: Bishop's Walk Against Gang Violence**

11:30 a.m. Salinas ~ Watch for more information

#### Opportunities for Reconciliation

Multi-parish Reconciliation Service  
Tuesday evening, March 23, 7 p.m.

St. Joseph's Capitola

Holy Cross Lenten Reconciliation  
Tuesday evening, March 30, 7 p.m.