

# 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.



### **Important Confirmation Information - This Page**

#### **Sunday, September 25**

**First Teen/Parent/Sponsor Session for Year 1 and Year 2**

**6:30 – 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

Please arrive on time so we can begin our prayer promptly at 6:30 p.m. (Hall is open at 6:00 p.m.)  
Anyone who needs to complete or turn in registration paperwork should arrive by 6:15 p.m.

**At least one parent is required to attend these sessions with teens in year one of preparation.**

A sponsor, or parent stand-in, should attend with teens in the second year of preparation.

#### **Saturday, October 8**

**Diocesan Youth Day**

**9:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.**

**Mission San Antonio, Jolon**

**Leave Holy Cross 7:30 a.m.**

- All teens in Confirmation preparation must attend
- Parent Drivers / chaperones needed
- Registration information due September 25 details.
- See Youth Ministry Section for more information.

#### **Thursday, October 6**

**Sponsor Meeting**

**7 – 8 p.m. in Room 106**

A meeting for all 2<sup>nd</sup> year Confirmation sponsors will take place on Thursday evening, October 6, in Room 106. This meeting is for sponsors only. Please inform your sponsor that he or she should attend this meeting. Any sponsor unable to attend should schedule a meeting with Mary Sue to go over the information covered at this meeting.

#### **Sunday, October 16**

**Second Teen/Parent/Sponsor Session**

**6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

**Parish Hall**

#### **Confirmation Saints**

It is customary for teens who are being confirmed to choose a Confirmation Saint, someone who is a role model or example for the teen. Teens are encouraged to learn about the saints whose feasts we celebrate each month. Check this month's calendar for the October saints.

#### **Saturday, October 22**

**Confirmation 2 Retreat Day**

**11 am – 6 pm Shaffer Park**

**Permission Form available from YM Office**

**Online look in "forms" on YM webpage**

**Please return by October 16**

- All teens in 2<sup>nd</sup> year must attend
- Retreat at park from 11 – 4
- Meet with parents and sponsors at 4:20 to rehearse for Rite of Affirmation (Room 108 at Holy Cross)
- Attend 5 pm Mass together



**See next page for our October Youth Ministry Events**



## October Youth Ministry Events

**Parish Carnival October 3:  
10 am – 3 pm  
Peace Park in front of the Church**

- Help with our Frisbee Golf Throw
- Help with face painting or another class's booth
- This is part of our **service to the Parish Community**
- Sign up at the September 25 Confirmation Session



## Are You Connected?

**Diocesan Youth Day,  
Saturday, October 8**

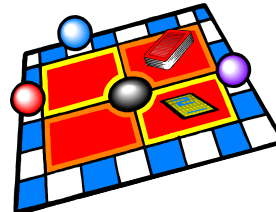
- For all high school students
- High energy praise and worship music
- Keynote speaker: Leah Darrow
- Awesome workshops
- Lots of teens from all over our diocese
- Mass with Bishop Garcia
- Lunch, dinner and t-shirt provided
- Evening Concert
- 9:30 a.m. until 9 p.m.  
(leave Holy Cross at 7:30 a.m.)
- Registration due September 25 (contact YM Office)
- Cost is covered by a generous donation from one of our parishioners.
- **Parent drivers/chaperones are needed**



**Youth Ministry Game Night  
Sunday, October 23**

6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Meeting Room Under the Hall



**Save These Dates . . . More info to follow**

### **Celebration of the Saints**

*Sunday, October 30  
Time TBA*



*Fun for everyone!!  
Food*

*Pumpkin Carving  
Pumpkin Painting  
Stories and Games*

*Come dressed as your favorite saint*

### **Purity Walk / Rally for Teens**

*Saturday, November 5  
10 a.m. until 2 p.m.  
Holy Cross School Field*

*Fun Walk supporting the work of the  
Pregnancy Resource Center  
Celebrate your Christian Faith  
Games and Contests  
Prizes \* Music \* Food*

*Registration Materials available  
in mid-October*

***This is another opportunity for  
service to the community***

