



## 2016-2017 Calendar

**Both Middle and High School Students gather after the 5:30 p.m. Life Teen Mass. Edge Nights (6<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> grade) will gather upstairs in the Youth Room and Life Nights (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade) will gather in the Community Center. The sessions will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:00 p.m. Attendance will be taken each Sunday evening!**

### September

18<sup>th</sup> - **“Welcome to the Family”** Kickoff Gathering

25<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “One Body”** – The goal of this night is to help the youth come to a deeper understanding of the universal Catholic Church.

**LifeTeen – “Christ Established the Church”** – The goal of this night is to help the teens understand Christ as the foundation of the Church. It will challenge them to make Christ the foundation of their own lives.

### October

2<sup>nd</sup> – **Edge – “Puzzle Pieces”** – The goal of this Edge Night is for the youth to come to a greater understanding of what it means when we profess that the Church is One.

**LifeTeen – “Four Marks of the Church: ONE”** – The goal of this night is to introduce the topic of the four marks of the Catholic Church to teens. The Life Night examines the reality that the Church is “one” through one Baptism, our unity in Jesus, and our one profession of faith.

9<sup>th</sup> – **Safe Environment Lessons and Beach Bash Social**

13<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting – 7:00 p.m. ALL parents of students in these grades should attend

16<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Wholly Yours”** – The goal of this night is for the youth to gain a better understanding of what it means when we profess the Church as Holy.

**LifeTeen – “Four Marks of the Church: HOLY”** – The goal of this night is to explore the reality that the Church is “Holy”, not because of the members of the Church, but because of Christ. The Life Night shares the lives of saints as examples of lived holiness and challenges teenagers to follow their example.

23<sup>rd</sup> – **Worship Night** – All students will gather for a night of prayer and Eucharistic Adoration.

30<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “One Direction”** – The goal of this night is to explain to the youth what is meant when we proclaim in the Apostles’ Creed that we believe in the Communion of Saints. They will come to a greater understanding of the role that they play in the Communion of Saints as well as how to call upon them to intercede for them.

**LifeTeen – “Extended Family”** – The goal of this night is to help teenagers understand the important role that the Saints have in our Church, and our call to strive for sainthood daily.

### November

2<sup>nd</sup> – **11<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Parent Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – All parents of 11<sup>th</sup> grade students must attend.**

6<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Team Rome”** – The goal of this night is to help the youth understand what it means when we proclaim the Church as Catholic.

**LifeTeen – “Four Marks of the Church: CATHOLIC”** – The goal of this Life Night is to help the teens understand why we consider the Catholic Church to be the universal Church and to help them recognize their role in the universal church as well as the importance of sharing their faith with others.

13<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Go Preach It”** – The goal of this night is to help the youth understand what it means when we profess the Church as Apostolic.

**LifeTeen – “Four Marks of the Church: APOSTOLIC”** – The goal of this night is to help the teens understand the authority handed down from Jesus to Peter and his successors.

Teens will also learn about the great commissioning in Matthew 28:19-20 and how it is maintained through the hierarchical structure of the Church.

20<sup>th</sup> – **NO EDGE OR LIFE TEEN DUE TO THANKSGIVING BREAK**

27<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Ready or Not- Here HE Comes”** – The middle school youth will come to a greater understanding of the Season of Advent and what Catholics do in preparation for Christmas and the Second Coming of Christ.

**LifeTeen – “Wait for It”** – The goal of this night is to help teens understand the purpose of Advent and what Christ is calling them to as they prepare for Christmas. This night will give them practical, concrete ways to pray the four weeks of Advent.

## December

4<sup>th</sup> – **“Hopeful Anticipation” – Advent FAMILY Night** – Families are encouraged to attend and the goal of this night is to examine how the hopeful anticipation of Advent compares to their own feelings regarding their hopes and dreams for the future. Families will end the night together in Eucharistic adoration.

- **Rite of Enrollment Mass for all 9<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation candidates and sponsors at Life Teen Mass**

10<sup>th</sup> – Edge Christmas Party and Life Teen “Snowed in with Jesus” Overnight Retreat

11<sup>th</sup> – **Edge and LifeTeen Community Service Night** helping SVDP and others prepare for Christmas distribution.

18<sup>th</sup> – **Edge and LifeTeen present the Live Nativity** after the Life Teen Mass

25<sup>th</sup> – **NO EDGE OR LIFE TEEN DUE TO CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**

## January

1<sup>st</sup> – **NO EDGE OR LIFE TEEN DUE TO NEW YEAR’S HOLIDAY**

6-8<sup>th</sup> **11<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Retreat** at Sacred Heart Church in Dedeaux

8<sup>th</sup> – **“So You Think You Can Dance?”** – Winter welcome back social

15<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “The House that Christ Built”** – The goal of this night is to help the youth understand the Catholic Church is built upon the firm foundation of Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit to lead the faithful to salvation.

**Life Teen – “Puzzled”** – The goal of this night is to introduce teens to the Most Holy Trinity. This night will explain the Church’s understanding of the Trinity that has been given to us through Divine Revelation.

22<sup>nd</sup> – **Edge – “Respect of all Human Life”** – The goal of this night is for the youth to develop a deeper awareness of the Catholic social teaching about the respect for all human life.

**LifeTeen – “No Matter How Small”** – Using the story Horton Hears a Who as a basis, this night will help the teens understand what it means to protect and defend life at all stages.

29<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Firm Foundation”** – The goal of this night is for the youth to examine the foundations of their identity and faith and the importance of basing our identity on the firm foundation of Christ.

**LifeTeen – “Light Up Your Life”** – The goal for this night is for the teens to understand that the light of Jesus Christ reveals who we are and our call to holiness.

## February

5<sup>th</sup> – **Super Bowl Social**

12<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “PPK: Priest, Prophet, King”** – The goal of this night is to help the youth understand how they share in Jesus’ threefold mission of Priest, Prophet and King.

**LifeTeen – “God, Give Me More...Now”** – The goal of this night is to help the teens develop a closer relationship with Christ through prayer. This night will examine the importance of prayer in our lives in a world that demands so much from us.

19<sup>th</sup> – **“Ashes to Ashes” Lenten FAMILY Night** – Families are encouraged to attend and we break open the season of Lent specifically the theme of sacrifice. It will challenge families to create a Lenten prayer plan.

26<sup>th</sup> – **NO EDGE OR LIFE TEEN DUE TO MARDI GRAS HOLIDAY**

## March

5<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Desert Wanderer”** – The goal of this night is to discuss the real meaning of Lent and how we can more fully enter into the season of repentance and conversion.

**LifeTeen – “Desert-ed”** – The goal for this night is to help teens understand how the season of Lent calls us out of the garden and into the desert with Christ for a time of preparation and purification.

**-Rite of Enrollment for 11<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors at Life Teen Mass**

12<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – Stations of the Cross**

**LifeTeen – “A Royal Pain”** – The goal of this night is to help teens recognize that, while we all experience suffering at some point, it does not have to be in vain; because we can unite our suffering with the suffering of Christ.

17-19<sup>th</sup> **Diocese of Biloxi Youth Celebration** (9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades)

19<sup>th</sup> – Edge Diocese of Biloxi Jr. High Youth Rally

26<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Washed Clean”** – The goal of this night is to help the youth understand more about the Sacrament of Reconciliation and how Christ forgives sins and in a sense washed them clean.

**LifeTeen – “He carried our Sins”** – Students will explore the sacrament of Reconciliation while experiencing the Stations of the Cross.

## April

2<sup>nd</sup> – **Edge – “Great 3 Days”** – The goal of this night is to introduce the youth to the liturgical season of the Triduum. The youth will experience the richness of the celebrations that occur during these three days.

**LifeTeen – “UUM?”** – The goal of this night is to immerse the teens into the celebration of the Triduum through prayer and reflection of each day. The youth will experience the richness of the celebrations that occur during these three days.

9<sup>th</sup> - **NO EDGE OR LIFE TEEN DUE TO PALM SUNDAY**

16<sup>TH</sup>- **NO EDGE OR LIFE TEEN DUE TO EASTER HOLIDAY**

23<sup>rd</sup> – **Edge – “A New Hope”** – The goal of this night is to teach the youth about the Easter season and help them examine the Resurrection in a new light.

**LifeTeen – “Alleluia! Alleluia!”** – The goal of this night is to explore the truth of Jesus Resurrection and the significance of this in the teens’ everyday lives. This Life Night will also challenge them to live as a Resurrection People.

30<sup>th</sup> – **“Both And” Worship night** for Edge and Life Teen- The goal of this night is to help the teens understand that Jesus Christ is both fully God and fully human through teaching and Eucharistic adoration.

## May

7<sup>th</sup> – **Edge – “Yes, Mother”**- The goal of this night is to give a better understanding of Mary as Mother of God and its implications for the teens’ faith.

**LifeTeen – “Know Your Momma”** – The goal of this night is for teens to begin to understand the role of Mary in the Church and Salvation History, as well as develop a relationship with her.

14<sup>th</sup> – **Baccalaureate Mass** for Graduating Seniors (reception to follow)

**Edge and Life Teen will participate in a Living Rosary** after Life Teen Mass

21<sup>st</sup> – **Summer Send Off Socials**