

St. Vincent Ferrer

EDGE

Youth Ministry

Handbook/Event Calendar

2009-2010



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Catholic Middle School Youth Ministry

"Do not let anyone look down on you

because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity. Until I come, devote yourself to



the public reading of Scripture, to preaching and to teaching. Do not neglect your gift, which was given you through a prophetic message when the body of elders laid

their hands on you. Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone may see your progress. Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers."

- 1 Tim 4:12-16

August 7, 2009

Dear Middle School students and family,

Welcome to another year of EDGE at St. Vincent Ferrer! Our youth today have an enormous array of opportunities and struggles that are unique to this generation. With the continued growth of the internet, television, cable, and movies, it is sometimes hard to discern what direction to go next.

Our hope is that this handbook/event calendar will help you be more informed and better aware of the many opportunities for getting involved here at St. Vincent and making good decisions by:

- Providing an overview of offerings and opportunities.
- Helping you to plan your calendar for the coming year.
- Allowing you to discuss planned activities with your family and friends.
- Helping you to participate more fully in the community of St. Vincent Ferrer.

This year promises to be an exciting time as you enter or continue in Middle School. Please read all the enclosed documents at your leisure and keep for future reference. We ask that you allow God the opportunity to change your heart, so that you may be spiritually ready and mature as we enter a new year!

As always should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the youth office at 243-3863. We look forward to seeing you all!

God Bless!

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EDGE Events

Edge Nights – Edge nights are fast-paced evenings, put on by volunteers (Life Teens, adults, parents) Wednesday evenings from 5:30pm – 7:30pm. Edge is a Catholic Middle School ministry that helps students see how God is part of their everyday life, and may include: skits, games, videos, small group discussions, talks, guest speakers, and teen witnesses. All 6th, 7th, & 8th graders are welcome to attend.

*Pizza is served every Edge night. This year with the support of an anonymous sponsor and the increased fundraising efforts of our students, I am excited to announce that we will **NOT** be charging a fee for EDGE! However, any families or businesses interested in sponsoring an EDGE night please contact the youth office!

Edge Kick Off: Thursday, August 27 – Welcome Back, Praise & Worship!

***Students should always wear sneakers and dress comfortably & modestly.**

September Highlights

- Friday – 9/4 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- Wed. - 9/30 Edge Retreat at FAU (L.I.F.T. Program)
- Sat. – 9/5 & 9/19 Haunted House Construction – **Parents (Dads) Needed!!!!**
- TBA Forgotten Soldiers Outreach (Service Project)

October Highlights

- Weds. & Sundays Haunted House preparation – **Parents Needed!!!!**
- Friday – 10/2 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- 10/22 – 10/24 Haunted House (Fundraiser/Service Project)
- Friday - 10/30 Youth Dance – Costume Party!

November Highlights

- All month Collect Can Foods for T-Giving Service Project
- Saturday – 11/14 Diocesan Middle School Youth Rally “Catholympics”
- Wed. – 11/18 Put together bags to be delivered with donated canned goods
- T-Giving week Deliver T-Giving dinners to those in need.

December Highlights

- Friday – 12/4 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- Saturday – 12/12 Delray Beach Christmas Parade
- Wed. – 12/16 Advent Scavenger Hunt
- Thursday – 12/24 Living Nativity Scene

January Highlights

- Wed. – 1/13 Welcome Back – Edge Night Social!

February Highlights

- Friday – 2/5 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- Sunday – 2/7 Souper Bowl of Caring (Service Project)
- Thursday – 2/11 Youth Dance – Winter Fest/Valentine’s Day
- Saturday – 2/13 Parent’s Night Out Fundraiser (EDGE/LT babysit ages Pre-K – 5th)
- Friday - 2/19 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- Friday - 2/26 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)

March Highlights

- 3/5 – 3-7 Parish Festival
- Friday – 3/12 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- Friday – 3/19 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- Friday – 3/26 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)

April Highlights

- TBD XLT – “Praise & Worship” Night

May Highlights

- TBD Possible Edge Retreat

June Highlights

- Wed. - 6/2 Beach Bash!
- 6/11 – 6/13 Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference (8th grade only)

***All event dates are subject to change. Please check the bulletin and/or parish website at www.stvincentferrer.com for details and updates.**