

**St. Vincent Ferrer
Life Teen
Youth Ministry
Handbook/Event Calendar
2009-2010**



***"Rejoice, O young man, while you are young,
and let your heart be glad in the days of your
youth. Follow the ways of your heart, the vision***



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***of your eyes; Yet
understand that as
regards all this God will
bring you to judgment.***

***Ward off grief from your
heart and put away***

***trouble from your presence, though the dawn of
youth is fleeting. Remember your Creator in the
days of your youth, before the evil days come
and the years approach of which you will say, I
have no pleasure in them.***

- Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:1

August 7, 2009

Dear students and family,

Welcome to another year of Life Teen 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 high 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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Life Teen Events

Life Nights – Life nights are fast-paced evenings, put on by volunteers Sunday evenings from 6:30pm – 8:30pm. Life Teen is a Catholic High School ministry that helps teens 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 High School teens are welcome to attend. In addition, we have various fundraisers and service projects that are available for the teens to get involved in.

Life Teen Mass – The Life Teen Mass is scheduled at 5:30 PM. Our Life Teen band brings a vibrant energy to the Mass that is attractive to most teens! In addition the teens of our parish are strongly encouraged to participate in all aspects of the Mass including (alter serving, lecturing, greeting/ushering, bringing up the gifts, and serving as extraordinary ministers of holy communion).

*Dinner is served every Life night. ***This year we are encouraging parents to donate or help to prepare a dinner once a semester.**

Life Teen Kick Off: Sunday, August 30 – SVF Back to School Party & Reunion (All High School Teens & SVF graduates 2006-2009 welcome!)

***Students should always dress comfortably & modestly.**

September Highlights

- Friday – 9/4 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- 9/12 - 9/13 Night of Joy (overnight trip in Orlando-see enclosed flyer)
- Sat. – 9/5 & 9/19 Haunted House Construction – **Parents (Dads) Needed too!!!!**
- TBD Forgotten Soldier Outreach (Service Project)

October Highlights

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

November Highlights

- Saturday – 11/14 Middle School Youth Rally “Catholympics” – Need volunteers!
- 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
- TBD Advent Scavenger Hunt

January Highlights

- Sunday – 1/10 Welcome Back – New Year’s Party/Social!

February Highlights

- Friday – 2/5 Fish Fry (5-8 PM)
- Sunday – 2/7 Souper Bowl of Caring (Service Project)
- 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)
- TBD Diocesan High School Youth Rally

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 Spring Overnight Retreat

May Highlights

- TBD XLT – “Praise & Worship” Night

June Highlights

- TBD End of School Party/Beach Bash!
- 6/11 – 6/13 Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference

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