

# Middle School

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

January  
2020

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

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## Mission Trip Signups!!!

This summer, we'll have the chance to serve those in need through the "Just5Days" mission program, **June 29-July 3**. We'll be serving right here in Kansas City, staying at St. James Academy in Lenexa, KS. We'll join with 100 other folks in our work.

Signups are underway until **March 1**.

If we have more youth than spots, we'll hold a drawing. The cost is \$175; however, as with all youth activities, cost will not keep a young person from participating.

Sign up now if you're interested.  
If things change, you may cancel later.

► **Adult chaperones are needed!**

***If you are a parent volunteer, your child (and you!) attend FREE!!!***




***Contact Deacon Ken to talk about it.***



Contact Deacon Ken in the Youth Office at [kfuenhausen@stmarksparish.com](mailto:kfuenhausen@stmarksparish.com) or at 816.285.8361

# January 2020, Middle School!!!



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	
For all events, we'll leave from the Prayer Garden and return to the Prayer Garden. If cost is <u>EVER</u> an issue, just let Deacon Ken know upon arrival and we'll get ya covered!!! Friends are always welcome!!!		<b>HAPPY NEW YEAR</b>				
5	6	7	8	9	10	
<b>LOL!</b>				First Sacraments 6:00-6:45  Faith Formation Night 7-8:30		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	 <b>Servant Project</b>			RSVP Mavericks		KC Mavericks 6:00-9:30
19	20	21	22	23	24	
		Havesters 6-8:45pm		Faith Formation Night 7-8:30		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
			Old Stone Church 5:15-7:30			

## KC Mavericks!!!

Kansas City Mavericks games are a blast! They have great hockey, a noisy arena, and entertainment between periods! It's a blast. You should definitely come!

We'll be attending a game on **Saturday, 1/18**. We'll meet in the Prayer Garden at **6:00** for a 7:05 game. We'll return around **9:30**. Cost will be \$15-\$20 depending on which seats we choose.

You must make a reservation!

► **MAKE A RESERVATION** by calling or emailing Deacon Ken by Wednesday, 1/16!!!



## Harvesters!!!

Feeding the hungry? It's what we do! Come help us **Tuesday, 1/21** as we repackage donated food for food pantries and soup kitchens. We'll meet in the Prayer Garden at **6:00** and will return at **8:45** after a stop at McD's for food. (Bring a couple of bucks!) Families may come together with a minimum age of eight. (Parent must chaperone for those under sixth grade.)

*Drivers needed! Contact Deacon Ken to volunteer!*



**Servant Project**

## Faith Formation Nights!!!



Our Middle School FFN's are excellent—and it's because you all are so full of energy and willing to jump into whatever we do. Thanks for that!

As usual, this month we have two FFNs on Thursdays: **1/9 and 1/23, 7:00-8:30** with doors open at **6:45**. As with all activities, friends are always welcome!

*Parents, please don't drop off your middle schoolers before 6:45.*

## Old Stone Church Soup Kitchen!!!

Help feed 200 folks at Old Stone Church in downtown Independence on **Wednesday, 1/29**. No cooking skills needed! We'll meet in the Prayer Garden at **5:15** and return at **7:30**. Families may come together with a minimum age of eight. (Parent must chaperone for those under sixth grade.)

*Drivers needed! Contact Deacon Ken to volunteer!*



## **Those preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion!!!**

Our next class is Thursday, 1/9, 6:00-6:45.

## **Looking ahead...Legacy Lockin!**

Saturday, February 22, we'll be joining six other parishes for a Sports Lockin at Legacy Recreation Center, ending on Sunday morning. Check here next month for all of the info!

## **Parents/Guardians/Adults!!!**

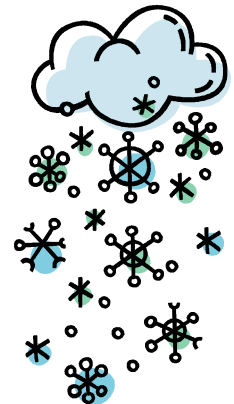
We need drivers for Comedy City, Harvesters, and Old Stone Church! Please contact Deacon Ken to volunteer. (We cover the costs for chaperones!)

## **Do We Cancel Youth Activities for Bad Weather???**

Yep—our parish policy is that, if Independence schools close due to weather, all parish activities, including youth activities, are cancelled. This also includes Independence schools closing for evening activities.

(If Independence simply has a late start day, then all parish activities are still on.)

If it's a weekend activity and we have doubtful weather, call the Youth Office (285-8361) to check on possible cancelations. We'll have word on that recorder at least one hour before the scheduled event if it is cancelled.



## **Second Semester Permission Forms!!!**

Turn in a second semester permission form the next time you come to an "away" event. Other than for an overnight, that's the only permission form needed. Turn it in once and you're covered for the semester.

## **Never Let Money be a Problem!!!**

If you're coming to an event with a cost involved but you don't have the cash, come anyway! Just let Deacon Ken know when you get there and we'll take care of it. We want you with us!