

EDGE– Sacred Heart Middle School Formation

EDGE is a Catholic middle School youth ministry and catechesis formation that:

- Provides a safe & fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community
- Answers questions about their faith
- Builds a foundation of faith that will guide them as they face difficulties and guide them as they make decisions that affect the rest of their middle school and high school years
- Helps youth to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way

EDGE SCHEDULE

All students in grades 6-8 will begin select Sunday evenings with Mass at 5:00pm. We would like the youth to sit together but they are more than welcome to sit with their family. **Attendance will be taken in the Gathering Space prior to each mass.**

*If attending a different mass with family or as part of ministry (Altar server, Tech Ministry) please communicate with RE. **The Mass connects our youth to what they are learning in EDGE.**

5:00pm	EDGE: begins with Mass
6:00pm	PROCLAIM: begins with upbeat music (Theme song(s) for the year) and Gospel reflection
6:20pm	Break: Begins with students going to small groups with Core Team for the lesson. Some EDGE nights may have a speaker or special activity. Possibilities are endless.....
7:15pm	SEND: Youth come back together to recap the evening. They are also given a challenge for the week that relates to the lesson or Gospel and are updated on service and parish opportunities.
7:30pm	Parent Pick-up

RETREATS: It is the expectation of the Pastor, Director and the Archdiocese of Detroit that Confirmation Prep youth experience a retreat every year.

A retreat refreshes and revitalizes, gives the opportunity for more time spent in prayer and contemplation, and rekindles and deepens one's relationship with God. One may take this opportunity to more clearly hear God's call and to seek God's healing grace and thereby attain a degree of spiritual renewal.

If a retreat date offered creates a scheduling conflict, it is up to the parent to seek other options in other Vicariates.

This year, Sacred Heart will offer a Vicariate Retreat for our EDGE youth on Sunday, March 6th 1:00pm to 6:00pm. This will include lunch and Mass.

The Second Vicariate option will be held on Sunday, March 3rd at Our Lady of the Woods. 1:00pm to 6:00pm.

*****Please note we are still in the planning stages at the time of this note and times are subject to change.

EXPERIENCE through SERVICE/ENRICHMENT

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples"....Mother Teresa

Youth grow in faith through service to others and attending Catholic events. We have planned a variety of opportunities so that they will ultimately find their passion.

SERVICE HOUR GOALS: Youth who exceed these goals will be acknowledged at the Year-End Mass and Social.

All EDGE youth are asked to complete 4 Acts of Service in their Church, 4 Acts of Service in their Home and 4 acts of Service in their Community. (Can be mixed) There is a reflection sheet to be filled out after each Service. This year we are changing the service to events instead of hours.

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Mass begins promptly at 5:00pm. Please arrive early to check in with Catechist in the Gathering Space

OCTOBER

Sunday	03	5:00pm -7:30pm
Sunday	17	5:00pm -7:30pm
Sunday	24	5:00pm -7:30pm

NOVEMBER

Sunday	07	5:00pm - 7:30pm
Sunday	21	5:00pm - 7:30pm

DECEMBER

Sunday	05	5:00pm -7:30pm
Sunday	12	5:00pm - 7:30pm

JANUARY

Sunday	09	5:00pm - 7:30pm
Sunday	30	5:00pm - 7:30pm

FEBRUARY

Sunday	13	5:00pm - 7:30pm
Sunday	27	5:00pm - 7:30pm

MARCH

Sunday	06	EDGE Retreat @ Sacred Heart 1:00pm 6:00pm (Time subject to change)
Sunday	20	5:00pm - 7:30pm

APRIL

Sunday	03	NO EDGE.....MAKE -UP RETREAT AT Our Lady of the Woods (if needed)
Sunday	10	5:00pm - 7:30pm
Sunday	24	5:00pm - 7:30pm

MAY

MONDAY	02	All Grade Mass and Ice Cream Social 6:00pm
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All Forms and paperwork due: Service, Saint Name and Report, Sponsor Verification & Confirmation Worksheet.

There will also be a date for Interview Session and Called to Serve with the Family of Parishes.

We are waiting for the Bishop's office to confirm our Confirmation Date. Our first choice is May 15th. We will update as soon as we are notified.