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An Edge Night on the Fall of Man

Parent Letter

Dear Parents and Family,

This week at Edge your son or daughter learned about the Fall of Man. The Edge Night began with each small group presenting a “commercial” for a product that made promises the product cannot keep. The teaching challenged the youth to understand the impact of original sin and personal sin. With their small groups, the youth had an opportunity to examine their conscience and then receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As your son or daughter had the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, he or she also spent time praying before the Blessed Sacrament during Eucharistic Adoration.

Main Ideas:

- God created humanity in His image and likeness and created them good, but through a free choice humanity broke its relationship with God through sin.
- Original sin has consequences for all humanity and is transmitted to all generations; the consequences are a broken relationship with God, each other, and creation.
- God the Father does not abandon us to temptation and sin but sends a Savior, Jesus Christ, His Son, to redeem humanity and rescue us from sin.

Catechism Reference:

“Man, tempted by the devil, let his trust in his Creator die in his heart and, abusing his freedom, disobeyed God’s command. This is what man’s first sin consisted of. All subsequent sin would be disobedience toward God and lack of trust in his goodness” (CCC 397).

Scripture Reference:

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.” (John 3:16-17)

Family Reflection Questions:

- What happens in the story about the Fall of Man?
- Why did Adam and Eve choose to listen to the serpent and eat the fruit?
- Are there times in your life that you do not put God first?
- What are things we can do as a family to better reflect the importance of putting God above everything else? (For example: making Mass a priority on the weekend, praying together before all meals, or giving more to those in need.)