



ON THE MENU...

TACO BAR!

## Youth Ministry Newsletter

**Inclement Weather Reminders:** In the event of bad weather please note that we follow Chesterfield County School. If schools are closed, no activities will be held. Additional updates are posted via the webpage, facebook, newsletters/constant contact, & CBS TV station. Always exercise caution when traveling in inclement weather. Your safety is our top priority!

February 1, 2024

Happy Thursday!

Congratulations to Gary See, for winning the Knights of Columbus Pasta Challenge for the 2nd year in a row! This year 5 of our Knight completed with their culinary wonders and our kids certainly ate well! I delayed my KETO restart to partake and man was it worth it. We continue to thank our Knights of Columbus for the support and encouragement of Youth Ministry.

Ash Wednesday is February 14 which means our Lenten Activities are coming up. A brief run down:

Feb 11: We will be educating our youth on burning the palms from last year's Palm Sunday AND the proper way to dispose of Religious book that are no longer able to be used (out of date, pages missing, etc)

Feb 28: Parish Soup Supper hosted by our Youth. Students will be asked to bring crock pots of soup for the simple dinner AND assist with set up and clean up. Watch for an opportunity to sign your student up to being soup:)  
March 8: High School Shadow Stations (rehearsal on March 7)  
March 20: Sacrament of Confirmation Mass  
March 22: Middle School Experiential Stations (rehearsal March 17 immediately following Celebrate Youth Mass)  
March 28: Holly Thursday-Confirmation Foot Washing  
Check out the Signupgenius link below to sign up. Thanks!

**DON'T FORGET:**

1. A couple of "trials" are going to be put into place and we're looking for your support. First-Phones are becoming an issue in our Middle School class. We have set up a "shoe holder" for phones to be placed in as they enter the class. We ARE NOT asking you to keep phones at home as there are times in class when students are asked to use their phones. Just want to make you aware. Second-In attempt to improve class communication, we may be setting up text groups. Understand that each text group is monitored by at least one teacher and myself to ensure safety and appropriate conversation.
2. Make sure to make a note of the change in time for classes on Super Bowl Sunday-YES we do have class:) Check out the flyer below for more information.
3. We are still looking for some more families to provide Youth Group Meals for the coming weeks. Create something special or simple, cultural or American cuisine. Our kids love to eat!

**A COUPLE OF SPECIAL REQUESTS:**

1. Towards the end of the year, we're going to be looking for small baby food jars (1 per student). Please start looking for/saving them now:) this could pertain to both Middle and High School students:)
2. In anticipation of our Seniors and graduation, sigh, please consider sending baby AND Senior pictures (official ones are usually the best) in sooner rather than later. I have some baby pictures from a few years ago, but certainly NO Senior ones.

Have a great weekend! See you on Sunday!  
Peace, Elise

P.S. I've made some changes to the calendar. Please take a look and make note of any changes that impact you/your child.

**Youth Group Calendar 2023-2024**

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## THIS WEEK IN CLASS.....

**MIDDLE SCHOOL(6TH & 7th):** During this week's class, your son or daughter will see how Jesus used prayer to help heal the sick and spiritually troubled. Ask your youngster about the lesson from the story, "Who Wins?" Ask your son or daughter to tell you about the first female disciple of Jesus. Discuss how you and your family resolve conflicts, and your youngster can tell you what he or she learned in class about it.

**PRAY TOGETHER:** When you complete your conversation about Sunday's Gospel lesson, create a family litany for people who are suffering from illness or who are struggling in life. Let members of the family take turns mentioning the name of a person who is in need. After each name, the family can respond, "Lord, make haste to help them." When the family runs out of names, close by saying the Lord's Prayer together.

**HIGH SCHOOL (8th-12th):** This week we will be looking at "WHO AM I?" as we

# UPCOMING EVENTS



In order to accommodate

The festivities of the Super Bowl,  
Class on Sunday, February 11, 2024

Will be held from 1:00p-3:00p

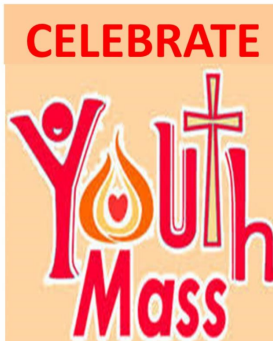
Meal included

This will be a teaching and fun class and a \$25 gift  
card will be up for grabs!

Wear your favorite team jersey (whether or not they  
are playing in the big game) and let's have some fun!

This is an official class.

Students are expected to attend!



**CELEBRATE  
YOUTH  
MASS**  
February 18  
11:15a

Sponsored by  
9th Grade

**10:30a:** All 9th Graders  
should arrive to help greet people in the  
courtyard as they arrive

**11:15a:** Celebrate Youth Mass  
Students will be greeters and lectors

This is part of our class for the weekend.  
Students are expected to participate.  
All are welcome!



Are you a Catholic Scout  
in a nearby troop?

## Scout Sunday

will be celebrated  
here at St. Ann  
on Sunday, February 17  
at the 11:15a Celebrate Youth Mass.

All Scouts and Scout Masters  
are invited to join us,  
in appropriate scout attire,  
to be recognized for your commitment to  
scouting and receive a special blessing.

## YOUTH STATIONS OF THE CROSS

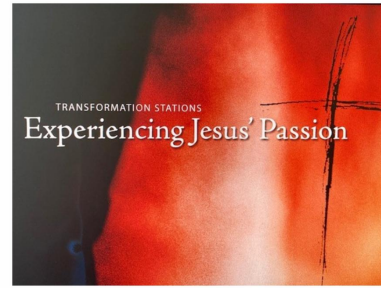


Need High School Volunteers for  
2024 STATIONS OF THE CROSS

March 8-HS Shadow Stations  
Rehearsal March 7, 2023  
5:30p-8:00p

Contact Elise as soon as possible if  
interested! [echapman@stanncc.com](mailto:echapman@stanncc.com)

## YOUTH STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Need potential Middle School Volunteers for  
Experiential  
STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
March 22, 2023

Rehearsal March 17, 2023 12:45-1:30.

Contact Elise as soon as possible if  
interested! [echapman@stanncc.com](mailto:echapman@stanncc.com)

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