

## Youth Ministry (Junior High and High School)

A key in working with young adolescents is variety – creating variety in programming, scheduling, content, formats, settings, and leaders. It is our hope that with the wide variety of education and formation opportunities offered, all youth will find participation accessible and convenient as well as an invaluable experience in which to develop into mature Catholic Christians. Youth Ministry Activities for grades 6-12 youth include:

### September, October, November & December

- Leader's Gathering
- Represent Youth Ministry at Catechetical Sunday ~ September 17
- Tailgate/Kick-off for Youth Ministry Gatherings ~ September 24
- Group Gatherings ~ October 1, 8 & 22
- Harvest Dance Set-up ~ October 25
- Harvest Dance ~ October 26
- Corn Maze ~ October 29
- Rake 'n Run Community Service ~ November 5
- Group Gathering ~ November 12
- National Catholic Youth Conference ~ November 16-19
- Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral and Dinner ~ December 3
- Group Gathering/Mustard Seed Collection ~ December 10
- Visit Mustard Seed Shelter ~ December 21

### January, February, March & April

- Youth Ministry Leaders Meet ~ January 14
- Right to Life Event ~ January 21
- Visit Independence Village ~ February 4
- Lenten Event ~ February 11
- "Girls Night In" with High School Youth Mentor ~ February 18
- "Guys Night Out" with High School Youth Mentor ~ February 18
- Group Gatherings ~ March 4, 11, & 18
- Passion Play Weekend ~ March 24 & 25
- Group Gatherings ~ April 8 & 15
- Cardboard City ~ April 21 & 22

### May, June, July & August

- Group Gathering Prayer Night ~ May 6
- Group Gathering/Senior Send Off ~ May 13
- Baccalaureate Sunday ~ May 20
- Mackinac Island Retreat
- Cedar Point Trip
- Youth Encounter Service (YES) Camp
- Service Retreat
- Vacation Bible School
- Movie Night
- Canoe Trip
- Outdoor Mass

