

Community Nights – FUSED Track for High School Youth

Generally held the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, the FUSED High School track for Community Nights provide an opportunity for youth in grades 9-12 to have community with their peers, grow in their faith, and have fun through social activities. Teens will gather in a large group setting for a variety of opportunities including service, prayer experiences, games, social activities and more. No need to register in advance; come when you can to connect with your peers, the larger community, and God. **We will have two types of nights:**

Service & Social Nights 5:00 – 8:00 PM – Come early at 5:00 PM to help serve the meal for Community Nights. After serving and eating yourself, join in a large group social event – anything from large group games to movies to holiday parties. Each night will include a brief time of prayer or another faith element like a personal testimony. Teens are invited to join at 6:30 PM for the social even if they cannot join to serve the meal. Serving the meal will count toward needed service hours for school/extracurricular activities.

Topics Nights 6:30 – 8:00 PM – Ask the tough questions about faith and life issues, explore different facets of the Catholic faith, and have experiences of living out your faith through different types of prayer and service. Learn tips and tools for how your Catholic Faith can help you in your daily life.

DATE	TOPIC	DESCRIPTION
October 12	Service & Social	Kickoff Night
October 26	Who's My Neighbor: Catholic Social Teaching and the Need for Community	Did you know that the Catholic Church has seven principles that guide our social justice work? We will explore an overview of Catholic Social Teaching with an emphasis on solidarity and community, both in our own lives and the world.
November 9	Service & Social	Help serve the community night meal at 5:00 PM and join for a fun large group activity at 6:30 PM.
November 30*	How Do I Pray?	Prayer Experience – Prayer Stations to experience the different types of prayer in the Church and how to incorporate these into your life, especially during Advent.
December 14 (no 4th Wed. in Dec.)	Service & Social	Help serve the community night meal at 5 PM and join for a Christmas Party at 6:30 PM.
January 11	Issue Night: Mental Health Service & Special Topic	NAMI Mental Health Presentation: Ending the Silence
January 25	Issue Night: Dangers of Marijuana Special Topic	Presentation: The Dangerous Truth About Today's Marijuana: The Harms of Youth Marijuana Use
February 8	Service & Social	Help serve the community night meal at 5:00 PM and join for a fun large group activity at 6:30 PM.
February 22	Ash Wednesday Mass	We'll be at the 6:30 PM Mass. Sit with the FUSED group if you'd like!
March 1*	Lent & Holy Week 101	Learn about the season of Lent leading up to Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection and discover practical tips on how you can grow closer to God through this time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
March 15*	Service & Social	Help serve the community night meal at 5 PM and join for a fun large group activity at 6:30 PM.
March 29*	Ignatian Examen	Prayer Experience – Introduction to the Ignatian Examen for Teens.
April 12	Easter Celebration	Celebrate and learn about Christ's Resurrection, the Easter Octave & the 50 Days of Easter!
April 26	Service & Social & Final Celebration	Help serve the community night meal at 5 PM with the international café and a review of the year.

*Indicates that the date is not the second or fourth Wednesday of the month. Note that March will meet the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesday instead.

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