



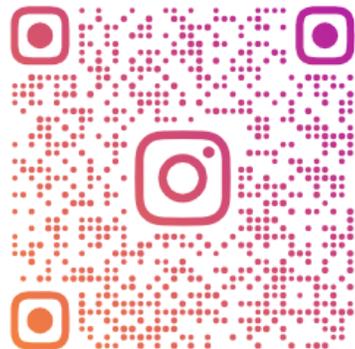
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CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## HSM Calendar of Events

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# September 2022



The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

**EDGE**  
Middle School Youth Ministry  
Parent and Teen  
Orientation  
Sunday, September 11th  
after the 9:00 am Mass!  
*We hope you will join us!  
Come help us!*

**PARENT AND TEEN  
CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION**  
6:30 to 8:00 pm  
St. Timothy Room

**PARENT AND TEEN  
CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION**  
After Mass  
to 7:30 pm  
St. Timothy Room

**MSM**  
MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

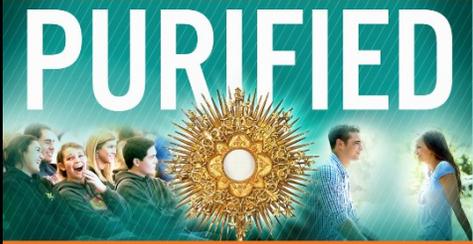
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HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

**MSM**  
MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

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**SJN Youth Ministry**

## Double Feature Event with Jason Evert Sunday, January 22, 2023



# PURIFIED

## GENDER AND THE THEOLOGY OF YOUR BODY

3:00-4:30 PM  
Mass 5:00 PM  
Supper 6:00-6:30 PM

6:30-7:30 PM  
Adoration & Confession  
7:30-8:00 PM

### St. John Neumann Catholic Church

5455 Bee Cave Road  
Austin, TX 78746

Purchase Tickets  
with QR Code



# Tell all of your friends!

# You don't want to miss this!

# Summit

The Eucharist is the Source and Summit  
of the Christian Life!

This lectionary-based discipleship group is designed to help teenagers  
gain a deeper understanding and appreciation  
for Sacred Scripture and the Holy Mass!

**HSM Meets Tuesdays, 6:30 to 8:00 pm**  
**MSM meets Fridays, 6:30 to 7:30 pm**  
**in the Adoration Chapel**



## October 2022

The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	MSM HSM St. John Neumann Catholic Youth Ministry			Confirmation Preparation			1
3				Confirmation Preparation			8
9	MSM HSM St. John Neumann Catholic Youth Ministry	10 Columbus Day Indigenous People Day	11 The Summit	12 The Summit	13 Sponsor Forms are due in at October 12th's Class	14 The Summit	15
16	MSM HSM St. John Neumann Catholic Youth Ministry	17	18 The Summit	19	20	21 The Summit	22
23	MSM HSM St. John Neumann Catholic Youth Ministry	24	25 The Summit	26	27	28 The Summit	29 MSM Retreat October 29/30
30	MSM Retreat October 29/30	31 Halloween					



# November 2022



The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 MSM MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY SJK Youth Ministry	7	8 Solemnity All Saints Day	9 Feast Day All Souls Day	10	11	12
13 MSM MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY SJK Youth Ministry	14 	15 The Summit	16 Confirmation Preparation	17	18 The Summit	19
20 Solemnity Christ the King	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26
27 First Sunday of Advent	28	29	30			



- 1) The Diocese has announced our Confirmation Mass date - it's **Saturday, April 15th at 5:00 pm.**
- 2) **The Confirmation Mass Rehearsal is Wednesday, April 12th from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the Holy Family Center and Church.** Sponsors and Confirmation Candidates both attend.
- 3) Your calendar should already be cleared for our **Confirmation retreat - February 3/4/5.**
- 4) Teens will choose a patron Saint and make a "Saint Display Board" to be shared with the parish on Saints Day. **Saint Display Boards are to be turned at Class on Wednesday, January 18th.**
- 5) **Saints Day is Sunday, February 19, 2023,** after the 11:30 am Mass.
- 6) **Teens will write a letter to the Bishop, asking to be Confirmed.** (This will be written on the retreat.)
- 7) **Teens should be mindful to have good attendance and be on time to Confirmation events.** Only two absences from Wednesday classes, and one absence from the Sponsor and Candidate events are allowed. A few teens are already at the maximum allowed absences.

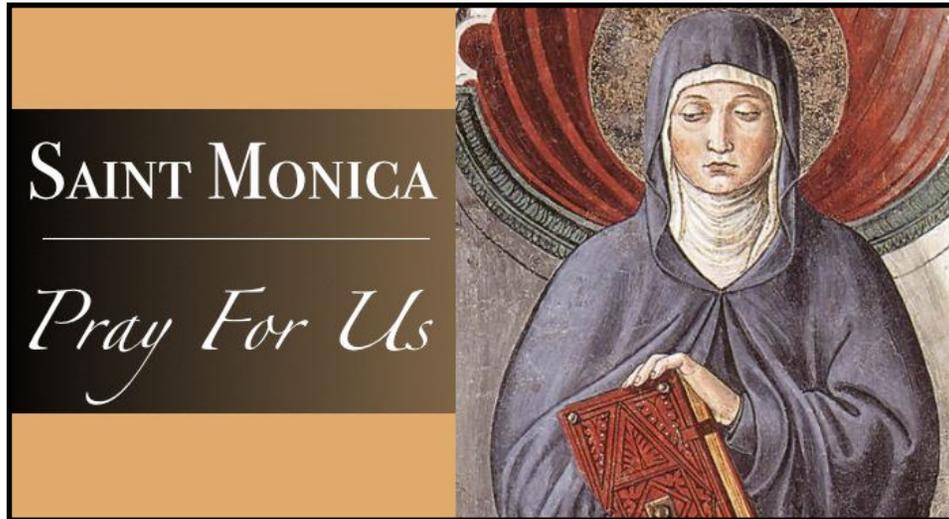
**DO TALK ABOUT THE SUNDAY MASS** - Read the readings before Mass. Ask your teen what they thought about the Gospel or homily. Share your thoughts. Don't accept generic answers. Encourage them to attend the weekly Summit event!

**DO HAVE FAMILY DINNERS** - Sit down at a table, put the cell phones away, turn off the tv, and eat together. If you can't do it every day, make it possible on certain days of the week.

**DO SHARE YOUR SPIRITUAL JOURNEY** - Live the faith in a transparent way. Be a good witness and talk openly with your teen, in an age-appropriate way, about how you became a disciple of Christ. What did you struggle and why do you keep following Christ? Invite them to share.

**DO PRAY TOGETHER** - Can't pray a spontaneous prayer? Pray the rosary together in the car or at bedtime. Share with your teen what you're sharing with the Lord, and what He's saying back to you.

**DO BE PATIENT** - They are teens. Their interests, passions, and opinions change with the wind. Give them room to make mistakes and wait patiently for them to come back around.



# December 2022

The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

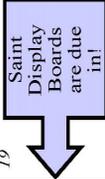
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	 MSM MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY St. John Neumann St. John Youth Ministry	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	 MSM MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY St. John Neumann St. John Youth Ministry	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	Fourth Sunday of Advent	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	Solemnity Christmas	26	27	28	29	30	31



# January 2023



The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Solemnity Mary, Mother of God New Year's Day					6 Feast Day Epiphany of the Lord	7
8	 St. John Neumann High School Youth Ministry	9	10 	11 	12 	13 	14
15		16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	17 	18 	19 	20 	21
22		23	24 	25	26	27 	28
29	 St. John Neumann High School Youth Ministry	30 	31				

## Parent Reminders/Checklist

- DON'T NEGLECT YOUR OWN FAITH LIFE** - You can't give what you don't have. Nurture your prayer life and your spiritual life first, then allow that to flow into your family life.
- DON'T LET THEM SKIP MASS** - You would never let your child not eat or not go to school in the morning because they didn't want to. The same goes for Mass. It's OK to require your children to attend Mass as long as they live in your home.
- DON'T PREACH** - You can't impose faith. You can propose it. Sometimes the best place to start that is poking holes in modern philosophy. Ask a lot of questions. Gently lead them to see the contradictions.
- DON'T WASTE TEACHABLE MOMENTS** - Driving in the car with your teen is the best time to talk. Don't let them put their earbuds in. Use everything - music, tv, chores - as an opportunity to talk about the Faith.
- DON'T HESITATE TO CALL IN THE CAVALRY** - If your teen is really fighting you, you are not going to be the person who helps them find their way through the struggle. Use your resources - like books, websites, magazines, etc. - that present the truth. Ask someone to intervene - a grandparent, a Catholic friend, a Youth Ministry Core Team member, the Youth Minister, etc. Be creative.
- DON'T THINK IT'S TOO LATE** - If you dropped the ball on your children's faith formation, if you neglected your own faith life, and only now realize the importance of God, if you haven't made Mass the priority, admit that to your child. Apologize and tell them you want to get the family back on track.
- DO BE UNDERSTANDING** - Try to see things from their vantage point. Approach discussions in a way that respects your teen.
- DO PRAY** - Pray daily for your teen. Call upon saints like Monica, who prayed heroically for St. Augustine's conversion. If your teen is struggling, give thanks that it's happening now, while they are at home, and you can engage in these conversations with them.

# Teen Reminders/Checklist

- Attend **Sunday Mass** weekly.
- Go to **confession** a regularly - it's great to be part of the No Sin Gang!
- Sign up and participate in a minimum of **three service projects**.
  - One individual service project (just sign up and join any service opportunity sponsored by Youth Ministry.)
  - One service project with your Confirmation Sponsor
  - One service project with your small group.
- Attend at least **80% of all scheduled a classes** (Depends on the final, full calendar, that would be no more than two or three absences.)
- Attend a **minimum of two** Sunday evening Youth Ministry events. (You choose! Hopefully, you can come to all of them!)
- Choose a Sponsor and have them turn in their **Sponsor Form by Sunday, October 5th**. Attend these events with your Sponsor.
  - \* **Sponsor and Candidate Event #1:** Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 3:15 pm to 4:45 pm, followed by Mass.
  - \* **Sponsor and Candidate Event #2:** Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 3:15 pm to 4:45 pm, followed by Mass.
  - \* **Sponsor and Candidate Event #3:** Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 3:15 pm to 4:45 pm, followed by Mass.
- Attend the special **5:00 pm Mass after the Confirmation Sponsor Orientation on October 23rd** to support your Confirmation Sponsor as they are recognized and prayed over at the Mass.
- Clear your calendar NOW for the **retreat on February 2/3/4**
- My "Saints Day" **Saint Report is due in on Wednesday, January 18th at class.**
- I will give my **best effort and attitude** while in attendance and do nothing to diminish my family's good name.



## February 2023

The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 Retreat	6	7 The Summit	8 Confirmation Preparation	9 Presentation of the Lord	10 The Summit	11 Confirmation Retreat February 3/4/5
12 Super Bowl	13	14 The Summit	15 Confirmation Preparation	16	17 The Summit	18
19 MSM HSM SUN Youth Ministry	20 Saints Day! After the 11:30 am Mass	21 The Summit	22 Ash Wednesday	23	24 The Summit	25
26 MSM HSM SUN Youth Ministry	27 The Summit	28 The Summit				



# March 2023



The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 	6	7	8 Confirmation Preparation 	9 Texas Independence Day	10 The Summit 	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Solemnity St. Joseph, Husband of Mary	21 The Summit 	22	23	24 The Summit 	25 Solemnity Annunciation of the Lord
26 	27	28 The Summit 	29	30	31 The Summit 	



# April 2023



The Catholic Youth Community of St. John Neumann

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 	3	4	5	6 Holy Thursday	7 Good Friday	8
9 Easter Sunday	10	11	12 Confirmation Mass Rehearsal Sponsors and Candidates 6:30 to 8:00 pm	13	14	15 Confirmation Mass Sponsors and Candidates 4:30 pm
16 	17	18 The Summit 	19	20	21 The Summit 	22
23 	24	25 The Summit 	26	27	28 The Summit 	29
30 Confirmation Celebration Sponsors and Candidates 12:30 pm						