# **FAITH ENRICHMENT EVENTS**

## What is a "faith enrichment event" and why do I have to do them?

In Confirmation you will be bound more closely to the Church and will be called to be an increasingly more active member of it. As you become more deeply rooted in the Church, *Faith enrichment events* will provide you with an opportunity to experience other parts of the Catholic Church outside of what your 'normal' experiences might be. You may learn something you didn't know you liked or discover something very moving that will allow you to enter into a stronger relationship with Jesus or a greater understanding of the many opportunities we all have to connect to the world around us through our faith.

### What do I need to do?

- Attend three of the events below or a Catholic event that you have asked if you can use as an
  event
- <u>COMPLETE</u> a "Faith Enrichment Reflection Sheet" for each event.
  - o Reflection must be written with well constructed sentences for a complete paragraph.
- You will need someone in charge at these events to sign you in and out and list their phone number so we can contact them if we have any questions.
- **Turn in** your reflection sheet into the office or to your teachers. We will be reading your reflections.

### What are these events?

There are many ways to attend Faith Enrichment Events. We have some suggestions on the next page and the following pages will tell you more about some of these events. Each of our parishes offer different spiritual events or speakers during the year please watch your bulletins, website, and listen to classroom announcements. If you have something you want to attend (another retreat, a Catholic speaker or event) at another Catholic church, please bring us the information and we will let you know if it is approved.

See back for a list of approved event option ideas. Planning is always advised.

#### **Ideas of Events to attend:**

- Youth Group Gatherings Typically the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month 5:30-8:00pm
  - o Watch for parish\bulletin announcements and additional youth group activities
  - o Can attend multiple times; Each time you attend counts for 1 event.

# • Lifeline Youth Mass and Evening Program at NET ministries

- o Can attend multiple times; each Lifeline night counts as 1 event.
- O Attend as a family or families it is a great experience for the whole family
- o Dates: Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 2nd, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup>, Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>
- o Latinamente Dates: Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Feb. 2nd
- o 6:00pm-9:30pm at the NET Center, West St Paul

# • Cor Jesu @ Immaculate Conception, Lonsdale

- o Typically, the 4th Friday of the Month
- Eucharistic adoration, music and candles, benediction and sometimes a fun afterparty!!!
- o Can attend multiple times; Each time you attend counts for 1 event.

# Ave Verum Corpus @ St. Nicholas, Elko New Market

- o Eucharistic adoration, classical sacred music and chant, Vespers and benediction
- o Can attend multiple times; Each time you attend counts for 1 event.

#### • Steubenville

- A spiritual weekend retreat with music, speakers and more!
- o Counts as 2 events.

## • Extreme Faith Camp

- o Wow! You need to see the promo video to understand the power of this week!
- o High adventures (high ropes, zip line, etc.)
- o Music, speakers, Mass and much more!
- o Counts as 2 events.

### Totus Tuus

- o Summer Vacation Bible Camp held at Holy Cross Catholic School
- o Counts as 2 events if you attended all 5 nights.

## • Catholic Bible Studies, Catholic speakers, at our parishes or others, etc.

o Please ask ahead to verify they can be used.

There may be events offered throughout the year at each parish or throughout the diocese; watch for in-class notices, parish bulletins and parish websites and emails. Plan ahead since opportunities may not be available later in the year. **NOTE: You will need a total of 6 Events, three in Year 1 and three in Year 2 year.**