



**2019 -2020 St. Joseph Parish Youth Ministry
High School Retreat Options**


Retreats are opportunities to escape from our daily lives to focus on our relationship with God. Additional information about each retreat will be emailed to families and printed in our bulletins closer to each date.

Juniors who are planning to be Confirmed in the Spring of 2020 must attend a Confirmation Retreat. However, they are welcome to attend other retreats in addition.





Reflecting on nature




<p>July 30, 2019 8am to 4pm</p>  <p>ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC CHURCH</p>	<p>Hiking Trip with St. Francis Borgia Join youth from St. Francis Borgia on a hiking trip in which you will reflect on faith in nature. It will begin at St. Francis Borgia’s North Church parking lot. Please bring a small backpack and water bottle. Also wear clothes and shoes appropriate for hiking. Do not forget sunscreen and bug spray. See separate flyer and permission slip for more information.</p>
<p>June 12 -14, 2020</p> 	<p>Youth Backpacking Trip This retreat will be led by Sara Knutson from Marquette University. Sheri Hanson and Mike Younger will be the adult chaperones. It will be a prayerful and nature filled way to start your summer. More information to follow.</p>

Community Service

<p>Saturday, July 4, 2020 – Saturday, July 11 2020 <i>Plus, monthly gatherings and fundraisers. See Workcamp Schedule.</i></p> 	<p>Workcamp: Alexandria, MN St. Joseph’s annual workcamp mission trip is an opportunity for youth and young adults to gather and serve communities across this country. Each year approx. 70 people will travel and partake in service to those in need through home repair projects, prayer and building relationships with the resident they are serving. All High School youth (8th grade – 12th grade in 2018-2019) and young adults (18-24) are encouraged to join us in this life changing experience. Registration meeting for parents and youth is September 18 at 6:30pm in Doherty Hall. Additional costs for attending Workcamp.</p>
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Growing in Faith

<p>Saturday, October 5, 2019 7:15am – 6:30pm</p> 	<p>St. John Bosco Youth Retreat at Holy Hill A Day of Faith and Fellowship Just For Youth at Basilica and National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians at Holy Hill. Bring a lunch or purchase one in advance for \$8. We will meet at St. Joseph Parish at 7:15am and carpool to Holy Hill. Depending on the size of the group, we will either rent a bus or Sheri Hanson will drive the group. Includes Mass at Holy Hill at 4:30pm.</p>
<p>October 19th, 9am-5:30pm</p> <p>Spiritus High School Retreat</p>  <p>ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC CHURCH</p>	<p>Spiritus High School Retreat at St. Francis Borgia This retreat is led by the dynamic, faith-filled SPIRITUS team of young adults who travel about the state to inspire and energize young Catholics to renew their life in the Church. Using praise music, challenge activities, witnesses and small and large group discussions, this retreat helps young people to find the meaning in what they know about the Catholic faith in relation to where they currently are on their faith journey. It also helps them to open themselves up more to Jesus in prayer so that they may live out their faith in their day-to-day lives. Anyone in high school is invited to attend; in particular, 9th and 10th graders will complete their retreat component by attending. Retreat will end with 4:30pm mass. Read about the Spiritus group at www.spiritusonline.org. <i>This retreat is being hosted by SFB. Contact Sheri to see how to register.</i></p>
<p>November 21-24, 2019</p> 	<p>National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis. We will join up with other parishes in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee to travel to Indianapolis. There will join 30,000 youth from across the US to pray, worship, sing, and attend faith-filled talks. Sign up was due in April, but if you want still want to attend talk to Sheri Hanson to see if there is room. <u>Additional costs.</u></p>
<p>January 10, 2020 4:15pm – 11pm</p> 	<p>Leadership Lockin for all youth in Ozaukee County at St. John XXIII At this retreat, high school peer leaders will lead 6th - 8th graders in activities designed to help them reflect on Christian leadership. This biannual retreat is run by the youth ministers at Divine Savior, Lumen Christi, Our Lady of the Lake, St. Francis Borgia, St. John XXIII, and St. Joseph Parish – including Sheri Hanson. It is a great way to meet youth from other local parishes.</p>

<p>February 1, 2020</p> 	<p>HS Day of Reflection at St. John XXIII</p> <p>This is a day for HS youth to reflect on their faith. Sheri Hanson will be a small group leader. Carpooling is possible. The day will conclude with Mass at St. John XXIII. More information to follow.</p>
<p>Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally - Saturday, March 14th - 10:00am- 6:00pm</p>  <p>ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC CHURCH</p>	<p>The Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally is a powerful and prayerful day long worship experience for Catholic high school students from all over Wisconsin and the Midwest. The rally features Catholic speakers, praise & worship music, Mass, adoration, and a lot of fun as we strive to help teens deepen their relationship with God and His Church. We will take both HS and MS students to this as they are having them on the same day! <i>This retreat is being hosted by SFB. Contact Sheri to see how to register.</i></p>
<p>Rehearsals: March 30 & April 2 Passion Reading at Masses: April 4 & 5</p> 	<p>Passion Reading</p> <p>Help our parish enter into Holy Week by reading the Passion at all our Masses on April 4 and 5. Includes breakfast on April 5 – and games! It is a fun, scriptural way to prepare for Holy Week with other youth. Sheri Hanson and Jim Stern will direct.</p>
<p>Thursday, April 9, 2020 5:15pm-Midnight</p> 	<p>Holy Thursday Lockin</p> <p>At this retreat, high school peer leaders will lead 6th - 8th graders in activities designed to help them reflect on the meaning of Holy Week. As a group, we attend Holy Thursday Mass together. Sheri Hanson will direct – additional adult leaders welcome!</p>

Confirmation Retreats

Juniors only need to attend one Confirmation retreat. If you cannot attend one of these, please contact Sheri Hanson (shanson@stjosephgrafton.org) to learn about other options.

<p>Saturday, Nov. 4 9am – 5pm</p> 	<p>Confirmation Retreat at St. Joseph Parish At this retreat, confirmands will reflect on the gifts of the Holy Spirit and their role in the Church in preparation for Confirmation. Sheri Hanson will direct – additional adult leaders welcome!</p>
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<p>Saturday December 14 – Sunday, December 15  ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC CHURCH</p>	<p>Confirmation Retreat at St. Francis Borgia Juniors have the option of attending this overnight Confirmation retreat at the Redemptorist Retreat Center in Oconomowoc with the youth from St. Francis Borgia. KC Kranich, the youth minister at SFB directs this retreat. Juniors must stay for the entire retreat. There may be an additional cost. Contact Sheri for more information.</p>
<p>Saturday January 11 – Sunday, January 12  ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CATHOLIC CHURCH</p>	<p>Confirmation Retreat at St. Francis Borgia Juniors have the option of attending this overnight Confirmation retreat at the Redemptorist Retreat Center in Oconomowoc with the youth from St. Francis Borgia. KC Kranich, the youth minister at SFB directs this retreat. Juniors must stay for the entire retreat. There may be an additional cost. Contact Sheri for more information.</p>
<p>Sat., February 29 – Sun. March 1  St. John XXIII Catholic Parish</p>	<p>Confirmation Retreat with St. John the XXIII Juniors have the option of attending this overnight Confirmation retreat with the youth from St. John the XXIII. Maureen Rotramel, the youth minister at St. John the XXIII directs this retreat. Juniors must stay for the entire retreat. There may be an additional cost. Contact Sheri for more information.</p>
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