

St. Patrick Church

LIFE TEEN [®]

The St. Patrick Church youth ministry program exists to support the teens and families of our parish as they strive to live faithful lives. By way of engaging & enriching programs, our Life Teen program guides students in middle & high school to a personal, fulfilling, substantive relationship with the Church & Jesus Christ.



MISSION STATEMENT

We are called to know the Truths of our Faith, devoted to love Christ & His Church, and will actively serve in His Holy Name.



Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire.

-St. Catherine of Siena-



Youth Mass

At the weekly youth Mass, teens & families experience the depth of God’s love through the liturgy. The preaching speaks to the teens’ level and the music leads them into reverent prayer. They encounter Christ’s presence in an accepting environment.



Life Nights

Weekly catechetical sessions, called Life Nights, offer teens a relational, engaging, & dynamic opportunity to go deeper in their faith. Catechetical, issue, and social nights build community, faith, and understanding of Church teachings throughout four years of high school formation.



Retreats

Retreats are much more than weekend escapes; they are life-changing events that profoundly affect a teen’s spiritual life. We’ll be putting on annual retreats for our teens and help them in developing a meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ.



Additional Programming

Bible studies, service projects, camps, social events, leadership development, and prayer experiences all provide a comprehensive formation structure in which teens grow in relationship with Christ and His Church.

The Adult Core Team

In order for youth ministry to be *truly* effective, a network of people need to be in place who are committed to actively serving the teens of our parish. The Life Teen Core Team is a group of dedicated adults who walk the journey of faith with the youth of St. Patrick Church. Called to “do youth ministry” the Core Team is most involved with the Life Teen Confirmation program for high school freshmen.

ONEIGHT CONFIRMATION EXPERIENCE

**BUT YOU WILL RECEIVE
POWER WHEN THE HOLY
SPIRIT COMES UPON YOU, AND
YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES.**

-ACTS 1:8-

A dynamic, one-year course for **high school freshmen**, the *Oneight Confirmation Experience* leads participants to a deeper understanding of self and the Truth of the Roman Catholic faith.

Incorporating accredited resources that combine **large group presentations, small group discussions, prayer experiences, service opportunities, take-home challenges, and interactive retreats,**

this wide-ranging program takes teens to a new level of Faith as they prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

