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# NEXT GEN NEWSLETTER

August 18-19, 2018  
20<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 25-26, 2018  
21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time



## Youth Ministry

### Kids Klub

VS.

### Da Crew (High School Group)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23: 6:00-8:00P.M

### STREET HOCKEY JAMBOREE + PIZZA



KIDS KLUB vs. DA CREW!  
EVEN LEAFS AND HABS FANS WELCOME :)

## Youth Minister's Message



Many young people today have beautiful hopes and dreams of changing the world, of embarking on wild adventures, and of excelling in one field of another. All of this is good! I know I wanted these things myself as a young person. What is often forgotten, however, is that in order to embark on these dreams on steady ground we must first develop our identity and the "Why?" behind our desires. Without this, we find ourselves unsure where to aim, and become exhausted with the inner uncertainty that inevitably surfaces eventually.

External goals are achieved by developing our interior selves – not the other way around. Our true identity is as a beloved child of God, and as one called into loving relationship with the Holy Trinity. This is our solid ground. When we develop this relationship, we develop a moral compass, and through *regular effort* we develop tools of discernment, and virtuous behaviours.

Never think that your faith stands in opposition to the desires of your heart – it is just the opposite – it is our faith that enables our heart to find its calling and to be satisfied. When our heart is on steady ground, rooted in our relationship with God, when we have developed good habits in life, and when we have learned to navigate life's challenges with the appropriate tools, we are ready to embark on the greatest adventures, to make great impact, and to excel with God.

In our youth ministry it is our goal to help you develop the foundation you need. Don't come out for your parents or friends, come for yourself – come and seek your Dreams!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are deeply blessed by our Children's Ministry and we need a few more men and women to help as leaders

## Young Adults Ministry

*Crossroads (19 – 30s)*



**AUGUST 26: 10:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.**  
Everything will be arranged and provided including canoes, paddles, life jackets, and an island picnic (\$35 total cost). Sign up and pay at the Welcome Desk, [email Christian here](#) or connect via the [Facebook Event](#). We will depart from the parish at 10:30 a.m. sharp. [Registration required.](#)



We are seeking to expand our Special Friends program to better meet needs. We would love to hear from you – [take a minute to give us your input](#)

## Sundae Sunday

August 25/26

Join us after Mass on this weekend!

## Children's Ministry

Age 2 through Gr. 4  
ALL SUMMER LONG

@ 9:30am & 11:30am Masses...

**KIDS ZONE** for children ages 2-3 is open each Sunday at the 9:30am and 11:30 am Mass!

## BACK TO SCHOOL

ARE YOU READY?

The first days of school has to be one of the most anxiety inducing days for the whole family! Know that we are praying for you. Many of our Youth programs begin shortly - can't wait for you to join us – be part of the fun!

Kids Klub Opening Day – Friday Sept 14<sup>th</sup>  
Da Crew Opening Day –Thursday Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>

*Watch for details!*