

Saint Francis of Assisi EDGE 7th & 8th Grade Youth Ministry Program

Saint Francis of Assisi EDGE, is a youth ministry program for all 7th & 8th graders of Saint Francis of Assisi Parish. This is a program where our youth can learn about their faith, find a Catholic community, and experience Jesus all while having fun. As young adolescents are moving from a child-like spirituality, it is our goal with EDGE to help them develop an adult faith commitment to Jesus Christ and the Catholic Community.

For more information and a video that highlights the EDGE program, visit the EDGE National Website at lifeteen.com/edge-ministry/.

EDGE is designed to meet the educational, spiritual, emotional, and social needs of young adolescents. The Catholic teaching is presented in a way that our youth can understand at their age. It provides a foundation for our youth to continue to grow in their faith in a catechetical, fun, and relevant way for this age group. As our youth are growing, they have real questions and need real answers. EDGE is a way for us to recognize these unique challenges of this age and provide them the information they desire.

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1. EDGE nights take place every Wednesday night based on the school calendar and around breaks and holidays.

Two sessions will be offered:

- a. 4:30-5:45pm
- b. 6:15-7:30pm
- 2. EDGE night themes will be catechetical, issue, or social nights.
- 3. All EDGE nights will take place in the parish hall.
- 4. Service opportunities (on-site & off-site) will be offered to our youth to put their faith into action.
- 5. Off-site social events will also be offered to help create a community for our youth.

EDGE Registration

Registration for EDGE is handled through the Youth Faith Formation office. Forms can be found at saintfrancischurch.org/YouthFaith/EDGE

The name EDGE recognizes that middle school youth are on the EDGE in their life, and if we as a church don't do something about it, they're going to fall off the EDGE and we are never ever going to see them again. But, at the same time we as a church are going to give them the EDGE they need in life, Jesus Christ, the Sacraments, Sacred Scripture, the Teaching of the Roman Catholic Church, and a Catholic Community to love, nurture and challenge them.

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