

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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Our mission is to introduce and to attend to the young adults' journey and relationship to our loving Triune God.

"When you look for me, you will find me. Yes, when you seek me with all your heart, you will find me with you, says the Lord." (Jeremiah 29:13-14)

"Mission resides in union with God and union with God resides in mission." -Peter Van Breenen, S.J. By personal and communal prayer, we encounter God as a communion/community of persons.

KNOW: To form our young adults in the Catholic Faith Tradition that comes from faith formation based on an experience of Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

EXPERIENCE: To enliven the generation by presenting opportunities of encounter and experience with the Most Holy Trinity through gathering and worship.

LIVE: To empower young adults to integrate their love for, and of God, into their daily lives through service of family, parish and community.

Programs:

- **Middle School Youth Group**
- **High School Youth Group**
- **Sacrament Prep - Confirmation**
- **Summer Mission Trips**
- **Concerts, Events & Rallies**
- **Converge (Ages 18 - 23)**
- **Rooted (Ages 24 - 30-something)**

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Youth & Young Adults of St. John XXIII need volunteers who have a love of Jesus Christ and His Church, an openness to the Holy Spirit, and a desire to share his/her faith. Volunteers will take part in various events, sessions and duties, and no previous experience, teaching or volunteering is required.

Social Justice

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"When did we see You hungry, thirsty, naked...and feed You...?"
"When you did this for the least of your brothers!"

Life as a Eucharistic people calls us to be Christ for one another. Involvement in this Ministry challenges us to live the Gospel Message with a keen sense of awareness, understanding, truth, love and action. We are deeply committed to every aspect of social justice as proclaimed in the teachings of the Catholic Church. To be involved in this ministry is to walk in the footsteps of Jesus Christ...

- Within Our Parish
- Within Our Community
- Across the Nation
- Across International Borders

We feed and clothe the poor; we provide shoes and school supplies to needy children; we provide toiletries and infant clothing to mothers who choose life, and we shine light on the tragedy of human trafficking. We rebuild the forgotten homes of Katrina Victims in Biloxi and we support Catholic Charities in their struggle to serve the least among us. We actively maintain a food pantry at St. John XXIII Villas and at St. Martin de Porres Community Outreach Center on Palm Beach Blvd. We respond to the cry of the poor and our blessings are abundant.

The Social Justice Ministry is our answer to the call of Christ. Join us in this Ministry and let Jesus change your heart.

Vietnamese Community

Rev. John Nghi Cao, CMC, Parochial Vicar
Mr. Khiem Nguyen (Adam)
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We, the Vietnamese people, gather together every Saturday evening for a Vietnamese Language Program for the children from 6:00-7:45 pm, confession at 7:30 p.m. and Mass at 8:00 p.m. Please come and join us.

Cộng đoàn Nữ Vương Hòa Bình tại Giáo xứ Thánh Giáo Hoàng Gioan XXIII hằng tuần có Chương Trình Việt Ngữ cho các em thiếu nhi từ 6:00 – 7:45 chiều Thứ Bảy, Xưng Tội lúc 7 giờ 30, và Thánh Lễ lúc 8 giờ. Kính mời qui vị đến tham dự, và cùng chung tay xây dựng cộng đoàn.

Comunidad Hispana

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Ofrecemos Misa en Español. Primer Domingo del Mes 1:15 pm. Rosario en Español los Martes a las 6:00 pm.
<http://www.facebook.com/HispanosJPXXIII>

Our Mission

The mission of St. John XXIII Catholic Church is to engage our Parish Community in living out the message of Christ, nurturing spiritual growth and personal fulfillment on our journey to become responsible stewards of God's gifts.



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Faith Formation

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Catechists & Assistants

Pass On the Good News! What good news? – The Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! At St. John XXIII, we have more than 500 students enrolled in our many programs who want to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith. You can help them learn and grow in their faith by becoming a Catechist or Assistant. With classes offered Wednesday afternoons and evenings, or on Sundays you are almost sure to find a time that fits your schedule. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well! We provide you with training, materials, and support. Classes begin in September and run until May. If you are interested, or for more information, contact Chris Biel at 561-7499.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a non-graded Catechetical Program for children ages 4-10 that takes place each Sunday during the 9:15 and 11:15 Mass. No registration is required to attend!

Faith Formation K-5th Grade

Faith Formation K-5th Grade (formerly known as C.C.D.) is designed not only to help students prepare for the sacraments, but enables them to grow in their faith, spirituality, and knowledge of the teachings of the Catholic Church as they mature into young adults. We encourage you to enroll your child in the program beginning in kindergarten and continue with classes after they have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion). Classes meet on scheduled Wednesdays from September to May.

First Communion (also called First Eucharist) and First Reconciliation:

Children in first grade or above, who have expressed a desire and willingness and are attending Mass, are welcome to begin the two year process of preparing for these Sacraments. The first year consists of regular attendance at Faith Formation classes or through a Diocesan Catholic school. The second year continues those classes, but also includes Sacramental Preparation sessions.

Confirmation

Confirmation Preparation to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation is also a two year process that begins at the start of 9th Grade and is celebrated at the end of 10th grade. (Older teens are certainly welcome also). Each year consists of Faith Formation through the parish Youth Group or a Diocesan Catholic school (Bishop Verot) as well as scheduled Confirmation classes and a retreat. Please note: Students from Bishop Verot must register and attend the preparation classes at the beginning of 9th grade.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

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The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a process that prepares the unbaptized person for full initiation in the Catholic Church - through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. RCIA is also for those who have been Baptized in other Christian traditions and are now seeking full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

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