

YOUTH

NEWS



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S.A.Y.—St. Aloysius Youth

High School Youth Group for grades 9-12.

Let us step out together...in **HOPE** with God!

S.A.Y.

(St. Aloysius Youth)

The main program for our high school (HS) students is our HS youth group, S.A.Y. (St. Aloysius Youth). Please come Wednesdays, starting **Wednesday, August 30th** and thereafter, to our weekly **S.A.Y. gatherings** in **Clare Hall** from **6-8 PM**. Teens are always welcome to **bring friends**.



We have been a lively group all summer and are ready for **YOU** to join us. We are putting into **ACTION** ideas that have come directly from our teens.

LEAD TEAM

HAVE A NEW IDEA?

Bring it to SAY and help us make **"IT"** happen. We offer a peer-led discussion & coordination of ideas for the future of our youth group. We welcome additional teens to join us and gain valuable leadership experience, while still in high school. Meanwhile, to find out additional information about our youth program: check out the weekly bulletin, monthly *Youth News*, and on social media (Facebook & Instagram).

ANNUAL KICK-OFF

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL
FOR ALL HS STUDENTS**

(Wednesday, August 30th from 6-8 PM)

The fun begins with friends, ice cream, and a whole lot of toppings (please bring your favorite topping or a snack to share)! Come one, come all... incoming freshman through graduating seniors...especially those new to our youth programs at St. Aloysius...friends are welcome! **Come join us on Wednesday, August 30th & beyond.**



SEAL Team

(Students Equipped to Advocate Life)

Students in 8th-12th grade & college students are invited to participate in this year's **SEAL Team Boot Camp** on **Saturday, September 9th**, starting at 8:00 AM for registration and **program from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM** at Maumee Valley Church (8715 Garden Valley Road) in Maumee. It is the eighth annual SEAL Team Boot Camp.



There is no charge to attend; breakfast (Scrambler Marie's) and lunch (Chick-fil-A) are provided. This event will be well worth your time & effort. A carpool is being arranged, as we already have teens registered from St. Al's. Please let us know if you and a friend need a ride. For further information & registration go to www.FFLNWO.org; go to Facebook for FFL SEAL Teams; or call the Foundation for Life Office at 419-535-5800. ***Benefit tickets will be given to participants.***

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TEC

(Teens Encounter Christ)

TEC is a diocese offered retreat weekend for HS students in grades 11-12 and one year past HS graduation. The dates for this school year start in January 2018 for the gentlemen and February 2018 for the ladies. The upcoming weekend dates are:

- #436 Gents January 27-29, 2018
- #437 Ladies February 17-19, 2018
- #438 Gents February 24-26, 2018
- #439 Ladies March 10-12, 2018
- #440 Gents March 17-19, 2018
- #441 Ladies April 7-9, 2018



Application and reference forms must be submitted a minimum of two weeks in advance to be considered. To express interest in attending an upcoming TEC Retreat, please contact Fr. Mark or Heather at the parish office.

Next year's **Steubenville Youth Conference** seems so far away, though it will be here before we know it. Please let Heather know your interest (even returning Steuby participants) now, so I can add you to our list & contact you with the latest info. **Coming soon...new 2018 dates & theme...**

NOTE TO THE PARISH: Our prayer is that multiple youth, from our parish, will consider going to these dynamic, life-changing experiences. If any parishioner is able to assist in defraying the cost, please contact Heather. **Thank you for your continued generosity!**

FIAT—Faith in Action Team

Middle School Service Youth Group for grades 5-8
God be with us...as we put our faith in **ACTION!**

FIAT

Faith in Action Team

An additional program for our middle school (MS) students is our MS service youth group, FIAT (Faith in Action Team). Our youth-led group meets for a planning session before the event and the day of the service event; students can be as involved as they are able (in the planning, at the event, or both). We have some tentative service events picked for the year. Though **we are in great need of volunteers** (parents, aunts/uncles, college students, retirees, willing adults of all ages, etc.) to help facilitate our events in a team format. Let us know if you would be willing to join our team. Please contact Heather in the parish office.

TODAY IS OUR

PARTY IN THE LOT

(Sunday, August 27 from 3-5 PM)

FOR ALL INCOMING 5th-8th GRADERS

Open to all middle school (Religious Education/RE Home School Option/School) students...we will have a DJ and lots of games, snacks, & fun! Friends are welcome! **Meet us outside and enjoy an afternoon of fun!**

Matt Fradd

**“Sex, Love and Porn:
7 Things the Porn Industry
Doesn't Want You to Know”**

Join internationally acclaimed speaker Matt Fradd (who spoke at the Steubenville Youth Conference last year), founder of The Porn Effect website (www.theporneffect.com), as he exposes the reality behind the fantasy of porn.

This free public event will be held Wednesday, September 6, 2017, from 7-8:30 PM in the Grand Ballroom of BGSU's Bowen-Thompson Student Union. Middle school and high school students (and their parents), college students and young adults are welcome. The event is co-sponsored by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Toledo and the Catholic Falcon Community.

For more information, call Peter Range, Office of Life and Justice Director, at 419.214.4933; or email prange@toledodiocese.org.

S.A.Y. UPCOMING EVENTS (HS)

- Aug 30 weekly SAY gatherings resume
Kick-off Ice Cream Social
(6-8 PM) Clare Hall
- Sept 6 SAY Field Trip to BGSU; RE starts
Relationships Speaker
(6-9 PM) meet in Clare Hall w/
paperwork required
- Sept 9 SEAL Team Boot Camp
(8 AM-2:30 PM) Maumee w/
paperwork required
- Sept 13 SAY Gathering
(6-8 PM) Clare Hall
- Sept 20 Pizza Q & A
(5:30-8 PM) Meet Rectory/Fr. Mark
- Sept 27 SAY Gathering
(6-8 PM) Clare Hall

FIAT UPCOMING EVENTS (MS)

- Aug 27 FIAT Party in the Lot
(3-5 PM) Gym & Parking Lot
- TBA (Nov) Mini Lock-in Planning Session
(11 AM-12 PM) Parish Office
- Dec 1 Mini Lock-in
(5-10 PM) Hartmann Hall
- Jan 27, 2018 Rock-a-thon
(5-10 PM) Hartmann Hall
Please note date change
- Jun 2, 2018 Corpus Christi Celebration
(4-8 PM) Hartmann Hall & Church

FAMILY UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept 1 Family Rosary Group
(6:30 PM) St. Aloysius
- Oct 1 ~Life Chain~SAVE THE DATE

*Want to be a trained Lector or
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
(age 16 & above)?
Let us know so we can share with you about
our upcoming training sessions this fall
for you & a friend.*

YOUTH PROGRAM NEEDS:

SAY Team Members

Availability on Wednesday evenings
b/t 5:30-8:30 PM, during the school year

Kitchen Angel(s)

Various FIAT & SAY Events

Marketing & Publicity

Various FIAT & SAY Needs

Parent/Adult Chaperones

Various FIAT & SAY Events

Carpool Drivers

Various SAY Events

Diocese required Virtus Training MUST be completed for involvement in youth program.

Youth Called to Service

Are you in need of service hours or have some free time to volunteer? The following events could utilize help from our parish teens:

FALL 2017

Party in the Lot (Games & Activities)

August 27 (3-5 PM)

Contact: Heather Sekerak (419-352-4195)