

THE VINE JUNIOR YOUTH MINISTRY ("TVJYM") 7TH & 8TH GRADERS September-December 2023

Watch for second semester calendar in December!

The Vine Junior Youth Ministry for our 7th and 8th Grade Parishioners offers a variety of service projects! Part of our faith formation and journey to Confirmation involves volunteering with an open heart while helping others without expecting anything in return. Your parents will receive PushPay reminders of TVJYM events, and they can reply for you if you want to get on the list of helpers. Our purpose is to provide activities focused on your age group that are fun, spread God's love to others, and build a sense of community. Please come join us for TVJYM events and bring a friend to enjoy an experience that is truly different!

We are also looking for high school helpers and Virtus trained parents to help with organizing and chaperoning the events.

HILDA'S PLACE BAGGED LUNCHES

Hilda's Place is a transitional shelter for single men and women for whom permanent housing is not yet available. The Vine Youth Ministry ("TVYM") for high schoolers delivers dinner to the residents of Hilda's Place once a month. The TVJYM is invited to make bagged lunches for their drop-in center. Contact Maggie at 847-687-7696 or <u>maggie@northbrookcatholic.church</u> to sign up for one of the dates, and then you will be asked to contribute food and/or supplies. If you are unable to contribute toward the lunches no worries as we still want you to join us in preparing them. TVJYM will gather in the Parish Hall in the Church basement from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. to assemble the lunches. If any parents would like to help deliver the food the next morning just let Maggie know. To learn more about Connections For The Homeless and their mission - *"We serve and catalyze our community to end homelessness, one person at a time."* - go to <u>https://www.connect2home.org/</u>. You may find other ways you can volunteer and/or contribute to their organization. This is a wonderful way to support their Hilda's Place Bagged Lunches program by providing people a healthy meal as they strive to get back on their feet. Wednesday 10/11/23 — Thursday 11/02/23— Thursday 12/14/23

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Monday 10/23/23 - 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. - Libertyville (Meet On Church Steps At 6:00 p.m.) Our Youth Ministry loves this awesome organization dedicated to preparing dry manna packs for children around the world! We are signed up for 15 people to go and need a 1 to 4 ratio of adults to teens. 7th and 8th Graders and/or parents interested in helping on October 24 at Feed My Starving Children, contact Maggie at 847-687-7696 or <u>maggie@northbrookcatholic.church</u>. Go to <u>http://fmsc.org/about</u> to learn more about this organization's mission of "*Feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit*."

"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." Proverbs 22:9

FLEECE TIE BLANKETS FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS Wednesday 11/29/23 - 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. St. Norbert Parish Hall In Church Basement

Join in on making fleece blankets to be presented as Christmas presents to nursing home residents at The Grove of Northbrook. We will be making single-layer tie blankets with many different patterns for elderly men and women. Donations of fabric (yard-and-a-half per blanket) are welcome. If you want to take part in this service project, contact Maggie at 847-687-7696 or maggie@northbrookcatholic.church.



With all of TVJYM events it is critical that everyone involved is healthy on the day of service. There will be forms for each event, so please sign up in advance to help make things run smoothly. Let's all pray that these events can take place while keeping everyone healthy.