Welcome Letter

Dear Parent:

Welcome to the Edge! Edge is a Catholic middle school youth ministry. Our goal is to give our middle school youth the edge, the Catholic edge, the Jesus edge as they go through this time of remarkable change in their lives. In many respects middle school youth are on the edge because so much is going on in their lives socially, physically, mentally and spiritually. It can be a stressful time for them and for you. That is why there is the Edge!

Young people who develop a faith life in middle school are more likely to continue practicing their faith through high school, college and beyond. While their peers begin to take on a more significant role during these years, middle school youth are still very connected and influenced by their parents. They still want and desire a close relationship with you and other adults in their lives.

That is why we are welcoming you to the Edge also. We consider your participation in this ministry extremely important. There are a few ways you can participate:

- Clear your child’s schedule for Wednesday nights. Make Edge Nights your child’s Wednesday night commitment. They will thank you for it!

- Come to Mass every Sunday. We invite our Edge youth and their families to join us to worship together. The liturgies are intended to have the whole family participate and your attendance and participation will be the example you set for your youth.

- Join our Edge Core Team. You may think they do not want you there, but the truth is, they do! Being a part of the Core Team will help you stay involved in your child’s spiritual development. Your interaction with your child’s peers will give you valuable insight into the mind of a middle school youth.

Enclosed you will find the Goals for the Edge and a schedule of Edge Nights for the fall. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel to call me or send me an email. We are looking forward to seeing your middle school youth at our first Edge Night on Wednesday, September 20th at 7:00 PM.

Blessings to you and your family,

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