

Youth Ministry 2018-2019 Calendar

Nightwatch NYC: Pilgrimage to St. John the Divine

November 9-10, 2018 (grades 6-12)

Bus provided, leaving Maryland Friday 12:00 PM – Saturday 5:00 PM

Cost: \$95 Deadline: October 24

Your group will have the opportunity to unplug from the distractions and stresses of daily life to connect with God and one another in the sacred space of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Nightwatch has created a safe, spirit-centered program of joyful fellowship, contemplative contemporary spiritual direction, devotional singing, and lots of fun activities. And the next day we explore some of the sights of the Big Apple!

Bishops' Unplugged: Fall

November 17, 2018 (grades 6-12)

Saturday 2:00PM – 5:00PM

Cost: \$5

Spend the afternoon with both bishops in fellowship and fun! Hosted in part by St. John's, Hagerstown. A revamp of our annual Bishop's Bash: we will gather for a few hours of music, Bible study, and time to talk with our bishops. We ask that all adult leaders join us for a special gift and prayers of thanks! Join us for this time to gather with youth from the region and have fun.

Martin Luther King Jr. Lock-In

January 20-21, 2019 (grades 6-12)

Sunday 7:00PM – Monday 3:00PM

Cost: Donations for the food pantry or warming bags

This lock in that celebrates the life and mission of Dr. MLK Jr.! We will have an evening focused on the sin of racism, how to continue our work to dismantle it, a film about overcoming racism, and discussion. There will also be time for fellowship and food. On Monday we take time to create posters, work on a service project, and march in the parade alongside Memorial, Bolton Hill. Please join us as we take steps for the Jesus Movement!

Happening #12

February 8-10, 2019 (grades 9-12)

Arrive Friday at 7:00PM – Parent pick-up on Sunday 3:00PM

Cost: \$95 Deadline: January 24

Happening is a national program designed, staffed, and run by Episcopal youth! This weekend will deepen your relationship with Jesus and connections with those on similar spiritual journeys. Most of this weekend is kept a surprise for those attending so they can fully live into the moment and the community. General activities include large group talks, small group discussion, prayer through art, and games! This retreat is similar to New Beginnings for middle schoolers and Cursillo for adults. Happening is being held at Claggett Center in Adamstown, MD.

Bishops' Unplugged: Spring

March 9, 2019 (grades 6-12)

Saturday 2:00PM-5:00PM

Cost: \$5

Spend the afternoon with both bishops in fellowship and fun! Hosted in part by St. Martin's-In-the-Field. A revamp of our annual Bishop's Bash: we will gather for a few hours of music, Bible study, and time to

talk with our bishops. We ask that all adult leaders join us for a special gift and prayers of thanks! Join us for this time to gather with youth from the region and have fun.

New Beginnings

May 3-5, 2019 (grades 6-8)

Arrive at Camp Wright Friday at 7:00PM – Parent pick-up on Sunday at 3:00PM

Cost: \$75 Deadline: April 18

Our annual retreat for middle school youth is a fantastic weekend at Camp Wright in Stevensville, MD. Previous New Beginners that have reached high school serve as the design team and staff for the weekend which makes for a perfect sense of what it means to be a part of the community. The weekend is dedicated to youth working through the transitions of middle school through talks, skits, and small groups. The New Beginners will find community in Christ and mentors in high school students. Campers are responsible for personal transportation to and from Camp Wright. Parents, family, and adult leaders are warmly invited to attend closing Eucharist at 2:00 PM in the dining hall.

Convention

May 10-11, 2019 (Delegate: ages 16 to 22/ Page: grades 8-12)

Friday at 8:00AM (Absence note provided) – Saturday at 2:00PM

Cost: \$35 Deadline: April 26

This is a great opportunity for youth to come see how issues, policies, and structures are updated yearly within the Diocese! Youth delegates and alternates will represent their region as delegates with voice and vote. Youth pages will assist during the convention in passing out ballots, assisting the Bishop, Canon to the Ordinary and technical support. All youth are invited to a lock in that Friday night where we will create community and have fun! Saturday morning there will be a breakfast with the Bishop, clergy, and lay members where youth can ask questions and participate in small group discussion. Come join us for a learning experience that can be counted as service hours!

Puerto Rico Mission

July 24-30, 2019

Cost: \$1,250 - fundraising ideas and scholarship assistance available.

Primary Deadline: November 23

Ages 14 (with parent/guardian) and up

This summer we travel to our sister diocese of Puerto Rico! The hurricanes last fall have done unthinkable damage to the island and the lives of our brothers and sisters there. While there, we will work with Wonder Voyage to take on jobs that no one else wants to do. With Wonder Voyage, we will partner up with organizations who have been working in the field since day one who know what needs people have. This trip will be a combination of spirituality, cultural immersion, and showing love through service!

Brethren Disaster Relief Mission

July 7-13, 2019

Cost \$250-\$350

Ages 14 (with parent/guardian) and up

Primary Deadline March 22

Join us for our second trip with BDM! We will travel by car/van to a place hit by natural disaster. Our work with focus on repairing homes effected by tornados, floods, hurricanes, and more. Those who have little knowledge or expertise in construction are welcome! BDM has yet to release our exact worksite, email the Youth Missioner's Office to find out more!