

## Junior High Youth Ministry January 2012 ~ Meetings, Activities and Events



**Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> - World Day of Prayer for Peace**  
Christmas break – No Youth Group

**Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> - The Epiphany of the Lord**  
Christmas break – No Youth Group

**Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> - 1:00-2:00 p.m. - People's Kitchen - Third Sunday of every month.**  
Youth Group members please come out and help serve a meal at the People's Kitchen located at the *Shouts of Grace Church*, on Grand Ave., between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets in Grover Beach. All members are encouraged to participate. Don't forget you can earn community service hours for your time! If possible, please bring a package of flour tortillas.

**4:30-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center – Welcome back from Christmas break!**  
Bring a friend and a snack today and come share what you did over the Christmas break. We'll talk about some of the events we have coming up. In today's gospel we learn how to listen closer to God's word. Today we will talk about some of the different ways in which God speaks to us. Are you ready when Jesus asks you, "What are you looking for?"

**Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**4:30-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center - What is a Mandala?**  
Today we will be joined by a guest speaker, Judi Belanger. Mrs. Belanger is from our parish and she is going to teach us the health benefits of Mandalas. It is said that Mandalas can be a source of meditation and art therapy. Join us as we find out how to create our own.

**Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**

**4:30-6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center**  
As we begin this New Year 2012; what surprises does God have in store for us? Today we will reflect on our hopes for 2012 and talk about what we can do to become better people in the year ahead. Let's reflect upon the many blessings given to us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Parents; thanks for continuing to support the Jr. High Youth Ministry and encouraging your children to attend our meetings. We have a great group of kids and we always enjoy our time together. A special thank you to those families that have provided our meetings with a variety of refreshments! We look forward to sharing many exciting activities and events in this New Year 2012!

Our annual *Super Bowl Saturday* will not be the day before Super Bowl this year due to the fact that I am on this year's Winter Formal Committee for AGHS. I must be at the winter formal instead. However, we will plan this fun event at a later time to be announced soon. Ask your parents if your families have any plans to leave town over the President's Day weekends coming up next month. Maybe we can schedule one of those weekends. In the meanwhile, I will be in touch with Rancho Bowl in Santa Maria and will announce soon an alternative date.

~Denise Barcus

You may leave a message at church for Denise at 489-2680 ext #37.