

October 2011 EYC Schedule

October 2: Blessing of the Animals, 4 p.m. St. Francis of Assisi was known especially for loving God's creation and all of God's creatures. On the Sunday nearest his feast day (Oct. 4), we'll hold our annual Blessing of the Animals service in the Memorial Garden at 4pm! Bring your pets to receive a blessing on what will surely be a fun afternoon. **Note: Regular EYC (6-7:45 p.m.) will not meet on this evening.**

October 9: Regular EYC, 6-7:45 p.m. Our Regular EYC will reconvene on Oct. 9. Among other things, we'll get ready for Youth Sunday, which will be held on Oct. 23! (See below.)

October 14-16: Jr High Fall Retreat at Camp Gravatt! The annual diocesan Jr. High Fall Retreat will be held at Camp Gravatt in Aiken on the weekend of Oct. 14-16. **Note: Jr. High will not meet for EYC on Sunday, Oct. 16.**

October 16: Senior High Volunteer Opportunity at Transitions While the Jr. High youth are resting after a great retreat, our Senior High youth will have a chance to volunteer at Transitions, the new homeless ministry center in downtown Columbia (located at Elmwood and Assembly). We'll meet at the church at 5:45 p.m., carpool to Transitions, and return to the church by 8 p.m. Dinner will be included.

October 23: Youth Sunday at 10:30 Service! This morning, our 10:30 Eucharist will feature the many talents of our youth. Preaching, reading, chalice bearing, music, ushering – all of these will be done by the youth at our church! We'll prepare during EYC on the weeks leading up to this Sunday, so if you'd like to do something specific, let David know!

October 23: Regular EYC, 6-7:45 p.m. Regular EYC continues this afternoon with more games, discussion, and dinner with your favorite youth group. **Note: Senior High will not be serving at Oliver Gospel Mission on this evening as previously publicized.**

October 30: Regular EYC, 6-7:45 p.m. On the eve of Halloween, our Regular EYC will have a bit of a reverse trick-or-treat feel tonight: We'll deliver letters with bags to neighbors about the upcoming St. Martins Day ingathering on Nov. 13.



Also During October: Greenery Fund-raiser!

To help raise funds for our 2012 Summer Mission Trips, we'll be selling holiday greenery to parishioners, friends, and family! We'll need YOUR help in making this year's fundraising effort a success! Contact David Wagner to get involved at david.wagner@stmartinsinthefields.com