



Impact Youth Report

February 2018

- Youth Group

This year with a paid youth coordinator of 15 hours it was decided to run youth group weekly. The first youth group of the year (20 teens in attendance) decided to keep the Friday afternoon/evening timeslot with all year levels combined, though allowing for junior and senior year small groups within the night.

The new structure for Impact night includes: 4pm-5pm Games and chilled time, 5pm-6pm Reflection, talk, testimony and prayer time. 6pm Dinner (usually pizza).

- Core Team

The first core meeting was held on 2nd February. It was a good opportunity for I the writer to have some background discussion on all youth initiatives' that have taken place in the parish. The core team is a governance board to oversee youth ministry. The core team are looking at welcoming new members later in the year. The next meeting is scheduled for 17th April.

- Gap Ministers

This year our ministers are Jane McMaster and Sophie McNaught. We are blessed to have Sophie as she was accepted for NET Ministries this year, though due to her needing knee surgery her year of ministry is now homebased. We are also blessed to have Jane who is juggling her music studies and work commitments. Both ministers are 2017 graduates of St John's College.

- Calendar

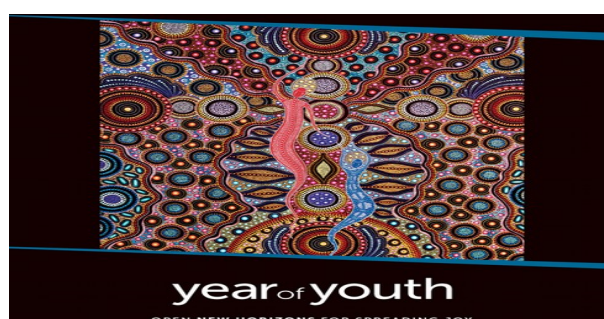
Please see attached a copy of the Youth Calendar for 2018. Within it are notable youth dates for meetings, formation, training and Brisbane Year of Youth events.

- Commissioning

On the Sunday 11th at the 9am Mass Fr Graham commissioned Jane, Sophie and I the writer.

- St Johns College

This college is the parishes main feeder for teenagers. Campus Minster Tracey Langford, APRE Fiona Baker and Acting Principal Brett Jones are very happy for all Impact leaders to advertise parish events and join in with college meetings/classes so in turn to assist in building a rapport with the students. Leaders have attended in February the following; Opening Mass, Assembly, Weekly Lenten Prayer and Staff Mass.





- **St Josephs**

During the first month, the ministry has exclusively targeted college students. In March, Lauren Cumming (APRE) will be contacted for a discussion about the possibility for a Y5/Y6 youth group.

- **Fundraising**

Currently the youth budget is in the red. Core team members have been asked to assist with ideas of how we can continue to support our young people through some fundraising initiative's for 2018.

- **Social Justice / Outreach**

Our non St John's College students are being invited to assist with the Easter outreach to local rest homes. This will entail handing out Easter eggs and handmade Easter Cards. The Vinnies sleep out is planned for later in the year.

*A proposed idea in 2019 Ash Wednesday is for young parishioners to administer ashes in the downtown of Nambour.

Youth Coordinator

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