

# OUR PARISHES



## Justice Seekers First Program of 2025—Faith and Immigration Justice

In keeping with our 2025 theme, the Option for the Poor and Vulnerable, the Justice Seekers invite members of Annunciation and OLP parishes to participate in an eight-week Just Faith program on Faith and Immigration Justice. Meetings will take place on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 in the Providence Room at OLP, from February 18-April 8. A Zoom option will be available for those who are unable to participate in person. While migration is a worldwide issue, this program focuses primarily on immigrants crossing our southern border, though it also touches on global migration and immigrants coming to the U.S. from non-Latin American countries. We hope that you will walk away from this program with a better understanding about immigration policies that are just, effective, and compassionate, and able to help lead your community in extending hospitality toward our immigrant neighbors.

The cost of the program ranges from \$35-\$75, depending upon your financial situation. To register, go to <https://justfaith.org/small-groups/> and enter the following ID for our group: **2182025FIJ**. Please let us know if you would prefer to purchase the two required books yourself or if you would like us to order for you from Just Faith (\$28). If you need help with registration or if you would like more information about the program or the Justice Seekers organization, contact **Jill Orr**, [orrmjm@charter.net](mailto:orrmjm@charter.net).

## Encounter Youth Ministry



Encounter Youth Ministry is gearing up for the 2025 Steubenville Youth Conference on July 18 - 20th! This spirited and unforgettable event is open to

all incoming freshmen (current 8th graders) through graduating seniors (class of 2025). Join thousands of other teens on the campus of Missouri State University for speakers, music, worship, and more.

To learn more, join us on February 11, 7:00 pm, in the MPH room at Annunciation for an informational meeting. We will go over conference details, trip itinerary, fundraising opportunities, and answer any questions you may have. Parents and teens are welcome.

If you can't make the meeting but would like more info, just send us a note at [encounterymstl@gmail.com](mailto:encounterymstl@gmail.com).



*Our PSR Vision is to help everyone we encounter become the Saints God created them to be.*

## Letting the Holy Spirit Lead

Last month, our PSR students had an amazing Confirmation retreat experience! PSR and HCA students from the parishes of Annunciation, Our Lady of Providence, St. Michael the



Archangel, and Seven Holy Founders participated in a Luke 18 Confirmation retreat. A big thank you to the high school youth group associated with our HCA Parishes (Encounter Ministry) for leading the retreat! Thank you to the parents, parishioners, and catechists who volunteered and for all those who generously provided food and monetary donations. The high school youth group teen leaders put their faith in action as they shared their personal faith testimonies, facilitated small group discussions, and led activities throughout the all-day event that included prayer, community, Adoration, and a reunion Mass with their parents and sponsors the following day. Please keep our 8th Graders in your prayers as they continue to prepare for their Confirmation.

For more information about our PSR Ministry, please contact Ann Kelly, PSR Director of HCA Parishes: [psr@goannunciation.com](mailto:psr@goannunciation.com).

**To Know Him, To Love Him, To Serve Him**