

**Lock-In Recap:**

Thank you to everyone who helped with the youth group lock-in, we had a blast! Here's some pictures from the lock-in:



**Upcoming Events:**

**March 11th:** Youth Group Meeting @ POP 4-5

Come and help plan future events for the youth group. We are talking about going canoeing in June, what else do you want to do?

**March 16<sup>th</sup>:** Fish Fry @ Prince of Peace

Come dressed in green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and to help with the fish fry. After the fish fry we will stay behind for like thirty minutes to talk about St. Patrick and share cupcakes.

**April 8<sup>th</sup>:** Youth Group get together @ POP 4-5



**March**

Did you know that Lent means spring? This makes sense first off because we celebrate in spring right? But have you ever heard of lent being the springtime for our community? Remember we live in the northern hemisphere so for the Christians in the southern hemisphere lent occurs in the

fall. Why do you think Lent is the springtime for our faith?

During lent there is a lot going on. We start with Ash Wednesday, on this day we are reminded that this life here is temporary, and that we need to refocus our lives back to God.

This by fasting, praying and almsgiving. Most people fast by giving up something they like (usually candy) and eating fish on Fridays. Almsgiving is something we do for others knowing that we will get nothing in return. It could be something like making dinner or doing chores you don't usually do (without being asked) or it could be a volunteer activity like helping with a fish fry.

At the end of lent we welcome in catechumens as they receive their baptism and we remember our baptism.

Here's a good link explaining what lent is and why we do what we do:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gDG51cl9gY>

