

## St. James EYC Spring Update

EYC meets regularly Sundays from 5:00 to 6:30, but please note these dates:

January 16 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	Diocesan Youth Event at Solomon (no EYC on the 18 <sup>th</sup> )
February 1 <sup>st</sup>	First Senior EYC gathering: CC's on Jefferson Highway
February 21 <sup>st</sup>	Spanish Town Parade/Youth fundraiser (no EYC on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> )
March 29 <sup>th</sup>	Fifth Sunday Feast – EYC will meet with Phyllis Tickle – stay tuned
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday – no EYC
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Tentative iConfirm and last EYC gathering for spring.

*Spanish Town Parade* – The EYC's fundraiser for scholarships to youth events. We will sell parking passes for the day of the parade. EYCers can sell passes on Sundays between services. Sign up will be at Sunday evening EYC in February.

*Cardboard City*– A joint venture with other Episcopal churches for homeless awareness. EYCers will spend the night outside in a cardboard city (all safety precautions taken) and experience life as a homeless person. Stay tuned for more information and opportunities for parishioners to take part in various roles. End of March.

*Confirm not Conform* - The second year of St. James' confirmation program begins Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. Youth 8<sup>th</sup> grade and up are invited to participate in weekly gatherings to explore the whys of faith. We end with the iConfirm service and Sunday confirmation.

*Senior High EYC* – Beginning Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, all senior high EYCers (9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to gather *every other week* for coffee and conversation at the CC's on Jefferson Highway (near the Jefferson Place-Bocage subdivision). We'll meet from 5:00 until 6:00. Alyce Howe will be leading the Senior High group, and St. James clergy will help with conversation and discussion.

*Summer ministry* - We are still exploring options for a summer ministry trip. We will have one trip (instead of two). Stay tuned for information.

*We need your food!*– Both EYC and the Confirmation Group have occasions where dinner is part of the plan. Our CnCers begin each of their confirmation meetings with dinner, and on January 25<sup>th</sup>, the EYC will attend Eucharist together, followed by dinner. If you are willing to provide a meal, please let Mother Laurie know.

*What are we doing?* Keep up with EYC via emails, our online newsletter *E-Vents* (a mostly monthly newsletter), articles in *The Messenger*, and notices in the Sunday Service Leaflet. New opportunities and special events appear regularly.