

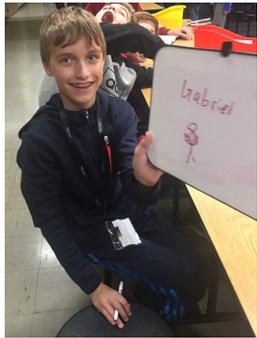
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OCTOBER 28TH, 2019

Dear EDGE Parents,

Tonight we had an Issue Night called "Pray for Your Enemies". This evening we focused on conversion of heart and forgiveness.

We were incredibly blessed to have our core team member, Meghan Lancaster, speak to us about the positive effects of forgiveness, love, and honest communication. Meghan works full time in a youth mental health facility so she has in depth knowledge and understanding of how forgiveness is a vital part to each person's psychological health. She even



used the example of a recent picture on social media of a former president and a talk show host sitting next to each other at a football game. Despite their differences morally and politically, they could still love and respect one another. She encouraged all of us that we can love and respect one another despite any differences we may have or despite any difficult situations from the past.



We ended our evening as always with prayer. Tonight we specifically used the "forgiveness prayer" to help our young people recognize that even if we disagree with someone, they still have dignity since they are children of God, even despite their behavior or actions. Feel free to see the prayer below.

As always, have a blessed week! Don't forget to sign up for retreat!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Fall Retreat Day in Milwaukee is Saturday, November 16th. Tim the Seminarian and EDGE Core Team will be leading a faith filled and fun filled day! Sign up now at www.lakecountrylifeteen.com.
- 2) Emmaus Small Groups have begun! All middle school teens are welcome to join us for prayer and reflection of the Sunday Mass readings in a relaxed small group setting. We meet at 5pm at the Life Teen Cafe every Sunday. BYOB - bring your own Bible.

RESOURCES

- Matthew 5:44; Luke 6:27-31, 23:43; Isaiah 41:13, 43:1; Psalm 23:4; Philippians 4:6-7; Romans 8:15
- Catechism of the Catholic Church #386, 412, 2297, 2314, 2629-2633
- Forgiveness Prayer sheet (teens took home with them)
 - 1) My name: _____
 - 2) Someone I struggle to love: _____
 - 3) This person is good because: _____
 - 4) Prayer: Dear Jesus, please help me to love this person. In the name of Jesus Christ, I forgive them for _____. I announce that all human beings have dignity. Lord, please help me to remember every person's dignity and help me to love as You love. Amen.