

SENIOR EYC / JUNIOR EYC

Emily Jackson, Youth Director

Junior EYC was budgeted \$375 in 2021, and as of November \$95.79 had been used to purchase supplies for pumpkin painting. Senior EYC was budgeted \$2,348.58 in 2021, and as of November \$794.08 had been used to purchase new formation materials, supplies and meals.

Due to the pandemic, Junior EYC and Senior EYC did not meet throughout the spring and summer months. In July a new youth director, Emily Jackson, was hired and she, along with Father Phillip, began planning for the resumption of in-person meetings for the fall.

EYC met weekly on Sunday evenings beginning in October and continued until Christmas break. Father Phillip offered confirmation instruction at their early meetings, and six youth were confirmed during Bishop Seage's visit in November. EYC participants have begun exploring their faith using new material on Sunday evenings, in addition to sharing a meal. Many thanks to the parish members who provided our Sunday meals!

In an effort to incorporate EYC into the larger parish, the youth helped with Blessing of the Animals and organized games for the parish picnic. Senior EYC also hosted two Sunday evening events for Junior EYC, pumpkin painting in October and Christmas crafts in December.

Next year we hope to be able to resume even more of our usual activities, along with offering some new opportunities for our youth.