

Frequently Asked Questions

(or, more accurately, “Questions I Expect To Be Asked Often”)

Q: What age group is IT for?

A: Full membership in the program is open to high school students, regardless of actual age. We would prefer that eighth graders waited until graduation to join, but if a large group of interested middle schoolers approach us, we will consider how best to meet their needs as well.

Q: Is IT a program that will prepare a high school student for Confirmation?

A: Nope. The IT program is not a sacramental preparation program (see IREP for more information about sacramental preparation at St. Ignatius), nor is it a religious education course. IT can be a supplement to those two programs but cannot replace them. In other words, you can do both at the same time.

Q: Is it just for Catholic teenagers?

A: No. There will be a definite Catholic emphasis (we’ll go to mass, ask questions about the Catholic Church, etc) but high school students of other faith traditions are welcome.

Q: Can parents be a part of it?

A: Of course! Not all events, naturally, but there will be certain events that parents will help make possible. We will make sure parents know which ones are for them and which ones are “teen-only”.