

Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

This Holy Week, we will be viewing *The Passion of the Christ* to learn more deeply about Christ's Passion and Death both in knowledge and faith. The movie is rated R for sequences of graphic violence. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops said the movie is R for gory scenes of torture and crucifixion, a suicide and some frightening images. However, it was given a rating of A-III by the bishops, meaning there is educational benefit and moral lessons to be learned from watching the movie despite the violence.

Despite the movie being rated R for graphic violence, teens can benefit much from getting a visual of just how brutal Christ's Passion and Death was and therefore grow in gratitude and faith for Christ's sacrifice.

Also, in the spirit of Good Friday and fasting, a simple meal of soup and bread will be provided.

Details of watching the "Passion of the Christ" Movie:

- Date of Movie: Good Friday April 19th, 2019
- Time: Immediately following the 3PM Good Friday Service (around 5PM)
- Location: Lifeteen Youth Room

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email me at pgunning@svdp-edu.org.

Thank you and God Bless,
Pat Gunning
Youth Minister

-----Please Return Portion Below-----

Teen's Name _____

_____ (please initial) I give my son/daughter permission to view the "Passion of the Christ" at St. Vincent de Paul Church on Good Friday, April 19, 2019.

Print name of parent/guardian _____

Signature of parent/guardian _____

Date _____

