

Requirements for Confirmation 2026-27

- Parent/Confirmandi Meeting** on Wednesday, **May 6th, 2026** at OLL Parish Center 6pm
- Mass of Commitment** on Sunday **Sept. 27th, 2026** **8:15 OLL Church** or **10am Holy Cross Church**. Please let me know which Mass you choose.
- Class Attendance**-**Attendance is required at every class**. If you need to miss a class for personal reasons, you must contact Terri Riesselmann as soon as you know and makeup will be arranged. Too many absences will result in confirmation being postponed to the following year.
- Choose a sponsor**- Must have a sponsor chosen before sponsor/candidate meeting
Requirements of sponsor:
 - ✠ *Must be at least 16 years of age*
 - ✠ *Confirmed in the Catholic faith*
 - ✠ *Cannot be a parent*
- Sponsor/Candidate Meeting** on Sunday **November 8th, 2026** at OLL Parish Center 6pm.
If a sponsor is unable to make it, a parent must come with their child.
- Choose a Confirmation name**- have one chosen **by January 6th, 2027** This is the name of a saint you choose who you feel connected to and can prayer for help and guidance during your discernment process.
- Fill out Confirmation Candidate Form**- **due January 6th, 2027**- include copy of baptismal certificate
- Social Justice Service**- St. Ben's Immersion experience. **Sunday January 17th, 2027**
- Confirmation Retreat**- **Friday April 3rd -April 4th, 2027** The candidates will take part in a weekend retreat at Holy Hill, where they will get the chance to break away from all day to day interruptions and distractions (including cell phones) and focus on their desire to receive the sacrament of Confirmation and continue on in their Catholic faith. Students must attend the **entire** retreat to count.
- Mass Attendance**- Students are expected to attend weekend Masses during the discernment time. They don't have to be at either parish. This can be done at any Catholic Church. Starting with the Mass of Commitment on Sept 27th, the students will sign in to the Masses. There will be a book at each of the parishes. If you attend Mass at a different location, email me the name of the church and time/date you attended.
- Service Hours**- Each candidate is expected to contribute a minimum of **25 hours** of community **AND** church service. You can start on these immediately and **must be completed by April 15th of 2027**. Any service in which you receive paid compensation does not count.
- Confirmation** -**Sunday, May 16th 2027** 10am Mass at Holy Cross Church



CANDIDATE COMMITMENT

*“For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord,
plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.” -Jeremiah 29:11*

As a baptized Catholic, I am preparing for reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation, by which I will be more perfectly bound to the Catholic Church and enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the Faith as a witness of Christ.

As a candidate for Confirmation, I understand and promise ...

- ...to approach this period of discernment with an open heart and open mind.
- ...to attend and fully participate in all scheduled classes and events.
- ...to attend Mass every weekend and on all holy days of obligation.
- ...to choose a sponsor who will support and guide me in my faith life.
- ...to meet all the requirements listed before receiving the sacrament of confirmation.
- ...to accept more responsibility in my family, parish, and community by putting my talents and gifts to the service of others.
- ...to commit to daily prayer, especially for growth in faith, hope and love.