

Confirmation Preparation

Confirmation Preparation is a 2+ year program. The program starts with two full years of preparation classes. In addition candidates will have additional work such as: service hours, picking a confirmation name...etc. Candidates may start Confirmation Preparation no earlier than their 8th grade year, but all candidates must complete both years of classes before moving onto their third year to receive the Sacrament.

- Our Confirmation Program is a peer discussion based program using Chosen. This means that students must be in a group setting with his/her peers and home study alone is not an option.
- This year we are offering two options:
 - Option 1: Students attend class here at SJV on Tuesday evenings from 7-8:30pm
 - Option 2: Parents may volunteer to teach a class in their home with 6-8 students. This would be your class so you can pick a day of the week and time for the class. You can do it over the course of the school year or 14 weeks in a row. We ask that you give us a schedule by August 1 so we can let others know what class options are open.
- Volunteers for both in-home and Tuesday evening Catechists at SJV must complete the Protecting Gods Children requirements mandated by the Diocese.
- Students registering for an at home class need to keep in mind that these classes will only be open if parents volunteer to teach in their homes. If we don't have the volunteers the other option available is our classes here at SJV on Tuesday evenings.

- Students cannot miss more than three classes per year (there is make-up work for classes missed). If your child's availability does not allow them to attend and abide by this policy please consider teaching an in-home class.
- Students may not switch back and forth from the in-home option to the Tuesday evening at SJV during the school year.

The following are the dates for the 2018-19 school year:

<u>Conf. Prep. 1</u>	<u>Conf Prep 2</u>
September 11, 25	September 18
October 9, 23	October 2, 16, 30
November 6, 20	November 13, 27
December 4, 18	December 11
January 15, 29	January 8, 22
February 12	February 5, 26
March 5, 19	March 12, 26
April 2, 16	April 9, 30

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In the fall of the candidates third year they will have:

- Retreat- Sept 29 or Oct 28 from 11:45AM -5:30pm at Christ the King Seminary in East Aurora (please choose a date on your registration form)
- Final Interview—Oct 9 or Oct 10 (will be assigned a date)
- Rehearsal / Penance Service - date TBD
- The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in the fall of the third year. The date will be announced when we hear from the Bishop, typically late summer.

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Family Faith Formation 2018-2019

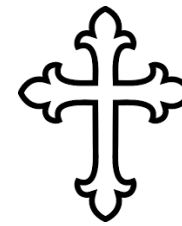


“How precious is the family, as the privileged place for transmitting the faith” Pope Francis

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Families Together

- Families attend program here at SJV school once a month following Mass from September-April.
- The program runs on two different Sundays a month offering it twice on each Sunday. We are asking that families pick a time that best works with their schedule, if you need to switch a date or time just call our office and we will do our best to accommodate your family.
- In addition to the monthly gatherings families will have 1-2 monthly activities to complete together at home and children have home study assignments from a grade level book.

Families Sharing Faith

Our Families Sharing Faith program has many similar elements to Families together but has the added benefit of small group faith communities. Instead of meeting once a month here on Sundays families come together, in groups of 3 families, to complete activities.

- Families are able to choose other families to group with or we can help you find other families.
- Once you are grouped together you get to decide the meeting places and dates/times your group will meet.
- In addition to the small group gatherings families will have 1-2 monthly activities to complete as a family at home and children have home study assignments from a grade level book.

1st Reconciliation

Parent meetings will be offered in January. During these meetings parents will be given materials and support needed to prepare their child for the Sacrament.

2nd graders will:

- Complete a textbook at home with their parents
- Attend a Mass of Enrollment
- Attend a retreat
- Make their Reconciliation



1st Communion

Parent meetings will be offered in January. During these meetings parents will be given materials and support needed to prepare their child for the Sacrament.

3rd graders will:

- Complete a textbook at home with their parents
- Attend a Mass of Enrollment
- Attend a retreat
- Attend a rehearsal
- Make their First Eucharist in May as assigned.



The following are the dates for the 2018-2019 school year:

Group A 8AM Mass	Group B 10AM Mass	Group C 10AM Mass	Group D 12PM Mass
Sept 16	Sept 16	Sept 23	Sept 23
Oct 14	Oct 14	Oct 21	Oct 21
Nov 4	Nov 4	Nov 18	Nov 18
Dec 2	Dec 2	Dec 9	Dec 9
Jan 6	Jan 6	Jan 13	Jan 13
Feb 3	Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 10
March 10	March 10	March 17	March 17
April 7	April 7	April 14	April 14