



Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church
Confirmation Year Two Service Journal
2018-2019

Name: _____

Service Requirements

Candidates in the Confirmation Program must include service as a fundamental part of their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Why do we require service as part of our Confirmation program? Service hours are meant to inspire in each candidate a love for God and a love for neighbor.

Jesus, through His life, gave examples of serving others. On the night before He died, Jesus gave His friends both a great challenge and a wonderful promise. By washing their feet, like the lowliest servant, Jesus challenged His friends to bring love and service to all people, everywhere. (John 13:5-14). Today, we do that by word and action in our own lives.

Service is an action of goodwill that contributes to the welfare of others. Service is done free of charge and there should be no compensation for the service provided.

Any youth involved in youth ministry is required to share their time and talent in at least one other ministry at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Candidates should record this under: One (1) "Full Year" Service Commitment (Examples - Altar Server, Choir, Usher, Lector, A/V Ministry, Hospitality)

Candidates for Confirmation are required to complete Five (5) "One Time" Service Commitments from either Church (Examples - Fall Fest, Spring Festival (Mardi Gras), Dinner Auction, Mulch Fest, A Christmas Related Project etc.) or Community (Examples - Beach clean-up, coaching soccer, Feeding South FL, Homeless Coalition)

Every year the Youth Ministry hosts a Service Fair where the Ministries in the Church showcase their Ministries so teens and candidates can sign up for service opportunities for the upcoming year.

** Remember - If you sign up for a project and cannot attend, please call the coordinator as a courtesy and let them know you will not be attending and why.



Confirmation 2018-2019

- Class Schedule:** 7:00pm – 9:00pm
- #1 Wednesday September 12, 2018
 - #2 Wednesday September 26, 2018
 - #3 Wednesday October 10, 2018
 - #4 Wednesday October 24, 2018
 - #5 Wednesday November 14, 2018
 - #6 Wednesday November 28, 2018
 - #7 Wednesday December 12, 2018
 - #8 Wednesday January 9, 2019
 - #9 Wednesday January 23, 2019
 - #10 Wednesday February 13, 2019
 - #11 Wednesday February 27, 2019
 - #12 Wednesday March 13, 2019
 - #13 Wednesday March 27, 2019
 - #14 Wednesday April 3, 2019

Other Important Dates:

Attendance at Youth Group Required – See Calendar
 Saturday March 30 - Confirmation Retreat (Attendance Mandatory)
 Wednesday April 10 – Confirmation Rehearsal 7:00pm
 Friday April 12 – Confirmation Mass 5:30pm

Confirmation Checklist

<u>Check</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed and Signed Application Form	9/4/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Application Fee \$125.00	9/4/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Baptismal Certificate	9/4/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sponsor Form	9/4/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Saint Name	9/4/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Year Long Project Selected (Choice shown in Service Journal)	10/24/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mission of Joy Project Due	11/4/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 One-Time Projects Completed (Written Up in Service Journal)	12/12/2018
<input type="checkbox"/>	4 One-Time Projects Completed (Written Up in Service Journal)	2/27/2019
<input type="checkbox"/>	Final Service Journal Due (All projects written up and signed off on)	3/13/2019
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter to Bishop	3/13/2019
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attendance at Confirmation Retreat	3/30/2019



Confirmation Service Journal - Sample

Holy Name of Jesus Church or Community One Time Service

Type/Date of Service: Fundraiser - 4/2016

Supervisor Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Please describe what this service meant to you by answering the following questions: **(Please do not respond to these questions with one-word answers.** Describe the experience and use these questions merely as a guide.)

What type of service did I perform? Was it what I expected? What did I like most about this service experience? What did I like least? How did I benefit from this service? Who else benefited from this service?

What did I learn from this experience? Where did I see God?

Today I attended the ALS Walk in Okeeheelee Park. It was a lot different from what I expected. I did not think it would be that crowded. There were a lot of people there to support ALS. I liked that a lot of people were there in support of the cause. We were supposed to raise money for the walk. It is sometimes hard to ask people for money at first but then they are always willing to help out a good cause. I benefited from the service because I walked and exercised plus I also got to learn a lot about ALS from the talks they gave at the beginning of the walk. We raised money to fight ALS so that was helpful too. I learned that there is a lot more to do to fight this terrible disease. I saw God in the people with ALS because despite having this disease their faith in God is very strong and they are very happy to live each day full of life and love.

Approved by HNJ Confirmation Program _____

Confirmation Letter to the Bishop

A significant part of the Confirmation process is to write a letter to the person who administers the Sacrament. Unfortunately, this person is not able to get to know each of you individually. Therefore, it is requested you write a letter to him so he knows a little bit more about you. The letter should be typed on plain white paper. It should also be single-spaced using a Times New Roman font with a font size of 12. Please follow the example below:

Date:

Greeting: Dear Bishop Barbarito,

Body Includes: The first paragraph answers the question - Who are you? It introduces you to the Bishop. Remember to state your full name. Tell him something about yourself, your family, your school, activities, and where you were born etc.

The second paragraph answers the question - Why do you want to be confirmed? Hopefully by this point in your preparation you have moved beyond the response, "Because my parents are making me." For most of you this has been at least a two year process. Think back to how you felt signed up for these classes. Think about how you feel now. How has this process changed you? How has your relationship with God and others changed?

The third paragraph answers the question - Who is your chosen sponsor and why? How did you make this decision? What makes your relationship with this person special or different?

The fourth paragraph answers the question - What Confirmation name are you taking and why? Why is this name special to you? What is the history of this name? Tell a little about why the saint is special to you.

The fifth paragraph answers one of the most significant questions of the letter - What change is Confirmation going to make in your life? What are you going to do after Confirmation? What impact is this going to have on you, your home life, your church life, your community, the world? How are you going to make a difference?

Closing: *(Choices include the following):*

Sincerely yours,

In Christ,

(Don't forget to sign the letter)

PLEASE BRING THESE LETTERS TO CLASS WITH YOU TO CLASS ON MARCH 13,

2019