

CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS 23-24



"Preparation for Confirmation should aim at leading the Christian toward a more intimate union with Christ"

CCC 1309

SAINT ANDREW

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CONFIRMATION

"by the sacrament of Confirmation, [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence they are, as true witnesses of Christ, more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed." - CCC 1285

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SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS



1. Attend 75% (15/20) of "LifeNights" Sunday mornings 11:15-12:30 (Year One and Two)
2. Attend monthly Confirmation Classes starting in March of Year One through February of Year Two
3. Attend Confirmation Retreat (Year Two)
4. Complete necessary paperwork
 - a. Copy of Baptismal Certificate (Year One and Two)
 - b. Copy of First Communion Certificate (Year One and Two)
 - c. Sponsor Form (Year Two)
 - d. Saint Form (Year Two)
 - e. Spiritual Growth (Year One and Two)
 - f. Service hours (Year One and Two)



BAPTISM AND FIRST COMMUNION CERTIFICATE



If candidate was NOT baptized at St. Andrew, Roswell, GA:

- o Please submit the following form
- o Please provide a COPY (not original!) of Teen's baptismal certificate. The certificate should note the reception of First Communion if you recently got the certificate (check the back). If you only have a copy of the original Baptismal certificate, please provide a copy of the First Communion certificate as well.

If Candidate was Baptized at St. Andrew, Roswell, GA:

- o Please submit the following form:

Baptismal Certificate for Teen baptized at:

Address of Church:

Name of parish: _____

Street address: _____

City, State: _____

Country: _____

Teen's Full Name: _____

Teen's Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____

Teen's Date of Baptism: _____ / _____ / _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Maiden Name: _____

Celebrant: _____

DETAILS OF SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS

- Must fill out the "Confirmation Sponsor Form", have it signed by the Sponsor's priest as well as have the official parish seal stamped on the form AND mailed or turned in to the church no later than November 5th.
- The Sponsor must have received all of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation)
- If married, the sponsor must have been married in the Catholic Church.
- A sponsor must be a practicing Catholic, who is "not less than 16 years of age, unless a different age has been stipulated by the diocesan Bishop or unless the parish priest or the minister considers that there is a just reason for an exception to be made." Code of Canon law 874
- He or she may not be the Candidate's mother or father
- The Sponsor must have the intentions of fulfilling the duties of a sponsor
- The Sponsor should be a person who is prayerful, open, dependable, loving, and comfortable sharing his or her faith with young people

These are rules set forth from the Archdiocese/ Canon law and therefore St. Andrew does not have the authority to change them.

Dates for Sponsors

Confirmation Rehearsal: Friday, February 9 at 7 PM

Confirmation Mass: Sunday, February 11 at 1 PM



CONFIRMATION SPONSOR FORM



Confirmandi Name: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

Being selected as a Sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation is a great honor and a special privilege. By accepting this role you enter into a covenant, not just with the person, but with their parents and entire family. You are now entrusted with the sacred duty of witnessing, promoting and enhancing the spiritual development of another Christian.

It is important that the student you are sponsoring, your candidate, experience your presence and support, especially as they prepare to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Although you may not be able to be physically present during this time of preparation, your interest and involvement in the preparation process will send a powerful message that you are walking in solidarity with your candidate.

Pray for your candidate and his/her family regularly, ask him/her to pray for you, and be assured that the parish community of St. Andrew is keeping you in our prayers.

The Code of Canon Law for the Roman Catholic Church says that the Sponsor must be a Baptized and Confirmed Catholic who receives the Eucharist regularly and leads a life of harmony with the faith (#874). This implies a strong commitment on your part to practice your faith by word and action so that your candidate will recognize your Christian commitment to the Gospel.

I, _____, understand and accept the role, responsibilities, and requirements of being a sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation. With God's help, I will foster, support and strengthen the spiritual growth and development of my candidate, _____, with both my words and my example.

SPONSOR'S SIGNATURE _____ Date: _____

PASTOR'S SIGNATURE _____ Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM, SIGNED BY BOTH THE SPONSOR AND HIS/HER PASTOR AND STAMPED WITH THE PARISH SEAL OF HIS/HER HOME PARISH TO LORAL LEACH NO LATER THAN November 5th, 2023:

Saint Andrew Catholic Church 675 Riverside Road Roswell, Georgia 30075

YEAR TWO CONFIRMATION RETREAT



Name of Participant: _____ DOB: _____ Sex: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ Parent / Guardian's Name _____

Parent Cell # _____ Parent E-mail _____

****All teens MUST have a current Medical Release Form on file before participating in off-site events. If you have registered for Confirmation preparation, your form should be complete.**

Type of Event: **Overnight Retreat for Year Two Confirmation Students**

Destination of Event: **Camp Covecrest in Tiger, GA**

Individual in Charge: **Loral Leach (lleachestandrewcatholic.org, (770) 641-9720 x255)**

Estimated time of Departure and Return: **5:15PM (Fri October 20th) / 2:00PM (Sun October 22nd)**

Mode of transportation to and from event: **Bus**

Cost: **\$100 Early Bird (On or Before September 20th) / \$125 (After September 20th but before October 1st)**

I/We the parent(s) of: (please print)_____ do hereby give my/our approval for him/her to participate in the **Year Two Confirmation Retreat at Camp Covecrest in Tiger, GA** that is sponsored by St. Andrew. I/We do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive, release, absolve, indemnify and agree to hold harmless any and all adults who chaperone, also the Archdiocese and its representatives, successors, supervisors, sponsors, organizers and participants for any injuries in connection with the program named above. I likewise release from my responsibility any person transporting my child to and from any of the activities. I/We hereby grant permission for publication of photos taken at youth events.

I/We also give permission to seek any emergency care should my child be involved in any accident or be injured in any way during such events named above. I/We understand that in any such instance, all attempts will be made to contact the parent/guardian. In the event that I/we cannot be contacted, I/we hereby give permission to the attending physician to hospitalize, secure treatment for, and to order injection, anesthesia, and/or surgery for my child, as named herein.

I also agree that I am legally responsible for all/any personal actions taken by my child/guardianship during this event, and agree to be financially responsible for any/all damages, legal fees, and other costs incurred as a result of the actions/behavior of my child/guardianship.

Furthermore, I/we agree that if the above named student's behavior is inappropriate, unsafe and/or detrimental to the group, I will be contacted immediately to secure means of removing my child/guardianship from the event premises. I understand that any financial costs incurred as a result of my child/guardianship being sent home are my responsibility.

_____By initialing here, I grant permission for non-prescription medications to be given, if deemed appropriate by adult chaperone(s).

My child is allergic to: _____ Current medication (and dosage): _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Relationship: _____

In signing this form, I certify that all information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge

Parents of teens 18 or younger, teens 19+, and all adults attending a retreat at a Life Teen facility must complete online paperwork before being able to participate in camp activities. **You are not able to save your progress and finish later or edit information after submission. The forms take just a few minutes to fill out.** Step-by-step instructions can be found below. If you have any questions about online paperwork please contact your Group Leader.

1. Look for communication from your Group Leader with a unique 4-digit access code or unique url in the form of paperwork.lifeteen.com/c/####.
2. You can use the unique url to access the liability forms or you can go to paperwork.lifeteen.com. If code entry does not appear on your page, click code entry on the left/top toolbar of the page, enter the 4-digit code provided by your Group Leader and click submit.

Enter 4-digit code here.
You will get this code
from your youth minister/
group leader.

3. You will land on the page below. Click the blue box to begin paperwork. If you are a parent filling out paperwork for your child make sure to input their information, not yours.

My Paperwork

My forms for Covecrest Confirmation Retreat 2020 (0/1 completed)

Group: Covecrest Staff, Group Leader: Christie Kreikemeier



This gray 'No' sign indicates that your paperwork is incomplete. Once the form is completed and signed this will turn into a green checkmark.

4. At the end of the form you will see a confirmation window, review and confirm all information is accurate before submitting because you can not go back to edit later. Additionally, **Life Teen staff cannot edit any information after a form is submitted.** Once the form is complete you will see a green checkmark after the form icon. If you wish to download and save or print the completed form for your own records, click the pdf icon next to the green checkmark.

Christie Kreikemeier's forms for Covecrest Confirmation Retreat 2020 (1/1 completed)

Group: Covecrest Staff, Group Leader: Christie Kreikemeier



The green check mark means you are complete! Click the blue PDF icon to download and save or print.

DETAILS OF YEAR TWO RETREAT

Dates: October 20-22

Contact: Loral Leach, Youth Minister cell - (678)-733-3477 (text is best)
office - (770)641-9820 ext. 255

I often do not have signal at Covecrest. Here is the office phone number in case of emergency 706-782-5961

Important Information:

- Be sure to eat dinner before arrival as we will not have dinner at Camp Friday night.
- In order for our teens to have a truly one-on-one experience with Christ that goes uninterrupted this weekend, we would ask that all those participating hand over their cell phones at the beginning of the retreat. Seeing as we will be up in the beautiful mountains of Georgia, there is no signal to connect any network anyways. Furthermore, we guarantee that the phones taken will be safely secured. This is not a punishment by any means, it is merely to help our teens free their minds of the outside world while we take genuine time with our Lord. If you have any questions on the matter, please feel free to contact Loral Leach.
- If you have not done so, please remember to bring the Medical Form and Retreat Permission slip. If your student registered for Confirmation this year, we should have a current medical form on file. No Student can attend without these items.
- If your child has any medication, please bring all supplies with you including directions in how to use them if confusing, or if another might be needed to administer on behalf of the teen if they are unable to administer it themselves (ex: Epi-Pen). These medical supplies **MUST** be with the teen at all times! No exceptions! We recommend bringing a small backpack or other container so it will never leave their side.
- We are still confirming our Sunday Mass. If we are unable to have Sunday Mass on retreat, your teen **MUST** stay at St. Andrew for the 1 PM Mass.

YEAR TWO RETREAT PACKING LIST

What to Pack:

- Individually packaged snacks to share with the group
- Sleeping bag/ sheet set (twin)
- Pillow
- Flip-Flops for showers
- Towels/ washcloth
- Shampoo & Conditioner, soap
- Casual, comfy clothes that you can move around and sweat in (if bringing shorts, they must be fingertip length)
- Pajamas
- Jackets and Sweaters for nighttime
- Closed-toed shoes; socks
- Any medications (inhalers, pills, epi-pens, etc.)
- Toothbrush/ toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Bugspray
- Plastic bag for dirty clothes
- Reusable water Bottle
- Bible
- Journal
- Rosary
- Money for camp store (not necessary)

Do NOT pack:

- Any spandex– yoga pants, leggings, etc.
- T-Shirts with offensive/ suggestive material
- Short shorts
- Bottoms with lettering on the back
- T-Shirts without sleeves
- Backless or strapless clothing, bare midriffs, low necklines
- Drugs/ alcohol/ inappropriate materials

Parents, please check to ensure your teens are not bringing any prohibited items

SAINT REPORT



A little bit of guidance:

The Confirmation Name chosen by the candidate will be used during the Confirmation ceremony; the teen will be addressed by this name as they are 'sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit'. Please choose saint (not a Blessed). The gender of the saint does not need to match the gender of the teen.

To find more information on selecting a Saint that you connect with, check out: <http://catholic.org/saints> or <https://lifeteen.com/biggest-best-list-confirmation-saints-guys-girls/>

Or just try Google (Ex: "Patron Saint of _____" and add something you are interested in)

Candidate's Full Name: _____

Candidate's Confirmation Saint Name: _____

What is his/her feast day? _____

What is he/ she the patron Saint of?

What is something significant about this Saint?

I chose this name because:

Confirmation year: Spring 2024

DETAILS OF SERVICE HOUR REQUIREMENT

Because Christian service is integral to mature Christian faith, candidates for Confirmation are required to participate in service, justice, and/or outreach projects with the intention of stimulating a lifelong habit of awareness and service to others. A single project or a combination of projects, totaling a minimum of 10 hours per year are required for Confirmation.

Below are Catholic teachings that may give you some starting ideas. Some of these works have very obvious ways to do service, while others are more subtle. Have fun with these: there are tons of opportunities in LifeTeen, our parish, and our community to serve others! Loral includes upcoming opportunities in her weekly email.

Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned

Catholic Social Teaching

- Life and dignity of the human person
- Call to family, community, and participation
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Option for the poor and vulnerable
- The dignity of work and the rights of workers
- Solidarity
- Care for God's creation

SERVICE HOURS



Complete one form for each individual service project completed. The same project completed on an on-going basis can be reported on one form (ex: 2 trips to SVDP to stock the food pantry)

Confirmandi's Name: _____

Hours of service on this project: _____

Place of service: _____

Date of service: ____/____/____

Type of work / service done: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____

Supervisor's Signature: _____

Follow Up Questions:

On a separate sheet of paper, please type out your response to all of the following questions (this should take a few paragraphs):

- How did your project make a difference?
- To whom did it make a difference?
- How did your service project fulfill a Corporal Work of Mercy/Catholic Social teaching?
- How did your service project respond to Jesus' call for us to serve others?
- Did you like this project? Would you do it again?

DETAILS OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH REQUIREMENT

Since Confirmation is a special Sacrament where the Holy Spirit blesses us with spiritual gifts, we want to be sure that we are equipped to use these gifts for God and to build up His Holy Church beyond our Confirmation. That is just where the story begins!

Because of this, we want to encourage our teens to regularly be a part of various activities in the Church (both St. Andrew and the world-wide Church) that encourages the stretching of our spiritual muscles. Good exercise isn't doing the occasional elliptical, but constantly working out and mixing up the equipment that helps us do that. We encourage you to get involved in several different ways to make sure we are all growing spiritually and challenging ourselves to always be maturing in our love, knowledge, and fun with God.

We encourage each teen to pick at least 3 different, activities (and do them regularly!) Remember: Confirmation is just the beginning! We are called to continue our growth as Catholics: the journey never ends!

SPIRITUAL GROWTH



Here are some amazing ideas to stretch your spiritual muscles throughout the year:

- Be a lector, usher, or altar server
- Come to Bible Studies regularly on Wednesday Nights at 7:30PM in the LifeTeen Room!!
- Type out a 1 pg. summary of at least 3 different homilies
- Go to Eucharistic Adoration for an hour and write a reflection on your time
- Attend our Spring Retreat

Can't think of anything to do?? Check out the bulletin or ask Loral for more ideas!

Follow Up Questions:

On a separate sheet of paper, please type out your response to all of the following questions (this should take a few paragraphs):

- What have you done throughout the year to help enrich your faith life as you prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation?
- How often have you done these activities?
- Have you felt like you've grown closer to God because of these activities? Why or why not? (Be honest!) How will you commit to continue to grow with God after your Confirmation/ this year's classes? (We're looking for real, concrete examples that you commit to doing)

St. Andrew Faith Formation | 2023-2024 Calendar

August '23

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

7 First Day of School for Fulton County
15 Assumption of Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

January '24

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

1 Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)
3 First Day of Second Semester
10 Year Two Class
15 M.L. King Jr. Holiday

September '23

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

4 Labor Day
13 Year Two Class

February '24

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

4 Confirmation (tentative)
11 Confirmation (tentative)
14 Ash Wednesday
16-18 Middle School Retreat (tentative)
19 Presidents' Day

October '23

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

9 Indigenous Peoples' Day/ Columbus Day
20-22 Confirmation retreat
22 Elementary and Middle School only

March '24

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

11-12 Fulton County Teacher Workday
15-17 High School Spring Retreat
17 Elementary and Middle School only
27 Year One Class
31 Easter

November '23

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

1 All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
15 Year Two Class
23 Thanksgiving

April '24

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

1-5 Fulton County Spring Break
17 Year One Class

December '23

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

8 Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
13 Year Two Class
15 Last Day of Fulton County Semester
25 Christmas (Holy Day of Obligation)

May '24

S	M	T	W	TH	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

5 First Communion
5 High School Only
8 Year One Class
12 Mother's Day
19 High School Only
23 Last Day of Fulton County Semester

Green- All Grades Meet
 Yellow- Special Date
 Red - No meeting

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Confirmation Rehearsal: Friday, February 9 at 7 PM

Confirmation Mass: Sunday, February 11 at 1 PM

Year One

Due Dates:

- Copy of Baptismal Certificate - August 27th
- Copy of First Communion Certificate - August 27th
- Spiritual Growth - April 14th
- Service Hours - April 14th

Confirmation Class Dates: March 27, April 17, May 8

Year Two

Due Dates:

- Copy of Baptismal Certificate - August 27th
- Copy of First Communion Certificate - August 27th
- Confirmation Retreat Early Bird - September 20th
- Confirmation Retreat Permission slip - October 1st
- Sponsor Form - November 5th
- Saint Form - November 5th
- Spiritual Growth - January 7th
- Service hours - January 7th

Confirmation Class Dates: September 13, November 15, December 13, January 10

Confirmation Retreat: October 20-22

GET IN TOUCH



Contact Us

Please feel free to reach out with any questions, comments, concerns, clarifications, etc. We are here for you!

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