

Email sent to Confirmation Parents and Teachers on December 14 2018

Good afternoon!

We have received notice from the Bishop's office that our Mass for candidates receiving the **Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Sunday, February 24, 2019 at 2 pm.**

We will **practice** for the mass the Saturday before, **February 23rd, at 8 am.** Depending on the cooperation of the teens, sponsors and adults, this should conclude by 9:30 am. Sponsors will need to attend the practice and the mass. If the sponsor is not available for the practice, please have an adult attend with your teen.

As previously scheduled, the **Parent Meeting** will be **February 3rd at 9:45 am in the Social Hall** and the **Confirmation Rite of Election Mass will be Sunday, February 3rd at 11 am.**

Our retreat will be on **Saturday, February 9th** from 8 am to 5 pm at **Camp Tekakwitha**, the Diocesan owned camp in St Clair County. Transportation will be provided and will leave the church at 8:15 am.

If your teen is unable to attend the retreat, please let us know. We are compiling a list of retreats at other parishes, where they may attend.

With the dates coming so soon, we now ask that the **Reflection Report** be completed and turned in the morning of the retreat - **February 9th.**

Baptismal certificates, Sponsor's name and Confirmation/Saint's names are all past due. If your teen is missing any of these items, please ask them to turn them in as soon as possible. We will be notifying you in a separate email if they are missing.

Letters to the Bishop are due at the January session, on Wednesday, January 16th. Please see the packet for information on how to write the letter.

Thank you for allowing us to assist your family in preparing your teen to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to bless their lives so that they can make a difference in the world.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Grace and peace,

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