



St. Patrick's Catholic Church

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Religious Education Program
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Dear Confirmation Students and Parents,

This is a big year in your formation in the faith. You have spent a lot of time learning about our beliefs as Catholics and are now ready to be confirmed in that faith.

Enclosed you will find a form marked "Confirmation Information". I ask you to fill out the enclosed form and return it no later than Wednesday, September 6th, our first session. This information is critical to you receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, and so it must be in by the above date.

In choosing a sponsor or sponsors, please consider people who live out their Catholic faith through words and deeds. Confirmation candidates must have one sponsor. If two sponsors are desired then one must be a man and the other a woman. A good sponsor is one who you admire as a faithful witness to Jesus Christ and who attend Mass and receive the Sacraments frequently. All sponsors must be confirmed Catholics. Sponsors may not be the parent of the confirmed. Please give this choice some thought as it is important.

There will be a rehearsal on Wednesday, October 4th. All confirmation candidates and their sponsors must attend this rehearsal. Confirmation will be celebrated with Bishop Callahan at 7:00pm on Wednesday, October 11th.

Please do not hesitate to call the REP office at 269-7500 or email me at davidjschmidt@hotmail.com with any questions. I am looking forward to guiding you on your journey to the Sacrament of Confirmation.

God's Blessings,

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David J. Schmidt
Director of Religious Education

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DATES for 11th Grade Students

September 6th – Students and Parents (All Confirmation requirements to be discussed)

September 13th – Students only

September 20th – Students only

September 27th – Students and Parents: Evening of Reflection (Sponsors encouraged)

October 4th – Students and sponsors (or a person to fill in) Rehearsal at 7pm at St. Pats

October 11th – Confirmation Mass at 7:00pm (Please arrive no later than 6:15 pm)