

Confirmation

2021-2022



Church of St. Rita

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ST. RITA'S CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

2021-2022

Confirmation Candidate Expectations

- Candidate must provide proof of Baptism
- Candidate must be in 10th Grade or older
- Candidate will complete six sessions with Sponsor
- Confirmation Conversation with Coordinator
- Write a letter to the Pastor expressing why you want to be Confirmed.
- Candidate must attend retreat focused on Confirmation
- Candidate will research and choose a Patron Saint
- Candidate will attend Faith Formation classes throughout year prior to Confirmation (Catholic School or St. Rita's Program acceptable).
- Candidate will complete and turn in at least ten Mass Notes during year and make up any possible missing notes from past years.

Confirmation Sponsor Expectations

- Sponsor will attend one meeting at Parish and Confirmation Mass
- Provide pastor's letter of good standing.
- Sponsor will provide encouragement and prayer for Candidate.
- Sponsor will complete six sessions with Candidate.
- Sponsor will write a letter to Confirmation Coordinator to offer insights on Candidate's readiness to be Confirmed.



CHURCH OF ST. RITA
CONFIRMATION SACRISTY RECORD

CANDIDATE'S ***FULL BAPTISMAL***(*Legal*) NAME _____
(*NO NICKNAMES, ABBREVIATIONS, ETC.*)

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____

Chosen Patron Saint (if not yet chosen, leave blank) _____

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BIRTH DATE _____

CITY _____ ST _____

BAPTISM:

1st EUCHARIST:

DATE _____

DATE _____

PARISH _____

PARISH _____

CITY _____ ST _____

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PENANCE/RECONCILIATION:

For those who've not yet received this sacrament, a preparation class is available; please check here to have information on this class sent to you. _____

FATHER'S FIRST & LAST NAME _____

MOTHER'S FIRST, MAIDEN & LAST NAME _____

***PLEASE ENCLOSE A COPY OF BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE
IF 1st EUCHARIST WAS NOT RECEIVED AT ST. RITA'S.***

***If you do not have a copy, you should request, in writing, a copy of the
record from the parish where you received the Sacrament of Baptism.***

PLEASE RETURN BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2021

*with Sponsor's letter of good standing.

Enrollment Information for Confirmation

No Nicknames please.

Candidate's Name: First _____

Middle _____

Last _____

Parents:

Mother's Name _____

Father's Name _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other: _____

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Sponsor Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Other: _____

Sponsor's Parish: _____ City: _____ State _____



Holy Spirit Fill My Heart

Confirmation Schedule 2021-2022



Sun, Sept 29: Confirmation Information Meeting - 7pm

Sun, Nov 7: Candidate/Sponsor Meeting - 7 pm

****** Sacristy record and enrollment paperwork due by this date.

Sun, Nov 14: Rite of Enrollment Mass - 10:30am

TBA: Confirmation Retreat

Jan 17 - 27: Confirmation Conversations by appointment

Mon, March 28: Form and Letter from Sponsor Due and the Letter to Pastor from candidate due

Sun, April 3: Sending Forth Mass & Rehearsal Meeting 10:30am
(This is for Candidates, Sponsors & Parents)

Sat, April 9: Confirmation at the Cathedral - 1:30 pm

Come Holy Spirit

Candidate's Letter of Intent

As part of your preparation, you will write a letter to the Pastor, letting him know that you intend to receive Confirmation

It is due to Amy Schroeder no later than March 28. Send the letter to Amy Schroeder, who will then forward it to Father Mark Joppa after recording that it has been turned in. Do not give or send it directly to Father!

Below is a sample outline for your letter. Please **type** your letter & print on white paper. ***DO NOT USE BULLET POINTS – DO WRITE IN PARAGRAPHS**

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To Father Mark Joppa,

- Introduce yourself, being sure to include why you are writing the letter (because you are asking his prayers as you prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation) and telling a few things about yourself.
- Talk about what you did to prepare for this sacrament. What were your favorite pieces of the process? What was your sponsor like? What did you learn about God, the Church, and yourself throughout this year?
- Discuss why do you look forward to receiving the Gifts of the Holy Spirit? Is there a gift you're particularly looking forward to? What difference will this make in your life? How do you think you will serve God, the Church, and the world after receiving Confirmation?
- Are there people for whom you wish to express gratitude in this letter, such as your sponsor, family, etc.?
- Finally, express gratitude to Father for his time reading your letter and his prayer as you receive this sacrament this Spring.

Sincerely, [or] Peace, [or] Gratefully, (or something similar)

YOUR NAME – signed by hand

YOUR NAME – typed below your signature



Confirmation Sponsor Covenant

As a Confirmation Sponsor, your responsibility is to foster the Catholic faith of the young person and to reflect and model the meaning of life of Catholic discipleship. Sponsors reflect the Catholic Community, the Church.

I recognize that in order to serve as a sponsor, I must:

- Not be the parent of the person to be Confirmed.
- Be fully initiated (Baptism, Confirmation in the Catholic Church, Eucharist); if married, be in a valid Catholic sacramental marriage.
- Be at least sixteen years of age.
- Live a life of active faith in the Catholic Church.

I affirm that I fulfill these requirements to serve in the ministry of Confirmation Sponsor

Signature

Date

Pastor's Recommendation

I hereby testify that _____

Sponsor Name

is a registered member of this parish, and has affirmed that he/she fulfills all the requirements to serve in the ministry of sponsor for the Sacrament of Baptism.

*Signature of Pastor/Assoc. Pastor
or Deacon*

Date

Parish Name / City / State