

Saint Joseph Parish
Sacrament of Confirmation Candidate Packet

Candidate Commitment

I, _____, a member of St. Joseph Parish, understand that my preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is a responsibility, and I choose to accept it. This will bind me more perfectly to the Catholic Church and enrich me with a special strength of the Holy Spirit to live, spread, and defend the Faith as a witness and disciple of Christ.

As a candidate for Confirmation, I thereby agree to:

- Approach my Confirmation journey with a mind and heart that is open to the Holy Spirit.
- Fulfill my obligation as a Catholic to Mass every Sunday and on all holy days of obligation.
- Commit to daily prayer and will actively work on growing my personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Attend and fully participate in all Confirmation Group Prep sessions and the Retreat. I will be prepared for the sessions, which includes completing any assignments or reading.
- Accept more responsibility in my family, in my parish, and in my community by putting my talents and gifts at the service of others. I will perform this freely and willingly as a part of the commitment I am making to follow in Christ's footsteps.

As I make these promises, I ask God to help me be open to his plans that he reveals in my prayer, in my gifts and talents, and in those who know and love me. I ask that Father, Son, and Holy Spirit help me on my continued journey of faith.

Signature of Candidate

Date

Witnessed by:

Date



Letter of Intent due with Complete Registration and Commitment

You are free to respond to God's call to live your faith more deeply—to worship, witness, and serve as a confirmed Roman Catholic. If you wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, write a letter to the Pastor and Parish Catechetical Leader stating your desire. The purpose of this letter is for the candidate to demonstrate in writing their desire to be Confirmed, and willingness to make this commitment.

Your letter should be addressed to both the Pastor, Father Jared Orndorff, and the Parish Catechetical Leader, Mrs. Jessica Plaspohl.

This letter should be typed and signed. Please use the following guide for the Letter:

First - Begin with your greeting.

Second - Introduce yourself and share some information about yourself, such as family, interests, and background.

Third - state that you would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation and explain in at least why you want to be confirmed. It may help to you to think about a) how this Sacrament will strengthen your relationship with Jesus, b) the role of your Catholic faith in your life, c) what it means to you to be a part of a parish community, d) how the Holy Spirit empowered the Apostles to be witnesses for Jesus (Read Acts of the Apostles 2:1-41), or e) what your expectations in receiving this sacrament are.

Fourth - Conclude the letter with a closing and your complete signature.



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INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete this survey to the best of your ability. Some questions ask for your opinions. Please be honest in your responses. Write the answer that you feel is best. If you do not know an answer, please move on to the next question. You may use only your bible for help. This survey is to help the Confirmation team plan the program to meet everyone's needs and levels of understanding. No one will be excluded from the program because of the results of this survey. Don't google! Don't ask for help! This is NOT a test! We need to see where you are at on your own faith journey!

- 1) In your own words, describe who God is. What is relationship with God?

- 2) Who is the Pope and what is his job?

- 3) What are the two major divisions of the Bible? What is the difference between them?

- 4) Who is Mary and what makes her unique?

- 5) How many Sacraments can you name? Circle the Sacraments of Initiation into the Church?

- 6) Why is sin harmful?

- 7) What is a Saint? Do you have a favorite Saint? Who is it?



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8) Who are the three persons of the Holy Trinity?

9) What is the Golden Rule?

10) What is the Greatest Commandment?

11) Copy Matthew 28:18-20 here

12) Give your own definition of prayer. How do you pray? When do you pray?

13) What do we receive at Communion? What is the Real Presence?

14) How many of the 10 Commandments can you list below? (Bonus - put the number of the commandment)

