



St. Bernard's Parish

2019- 2020 9th GRADE SCHEDULE & REFERENCE GUIDE

Confirmation Requirements

- Attend all Life Nights (see schedule below- M)
- Attend optional Service Nights (S) (counts for 1 hr. community service hours)
- Attend 2 Pizza and Prayer Nights (P)
- Attend 2 Day Retreat – Sat., Feb. 8 – Sun., Feb. 9, 2020
- Sponsor Form (completed by Dec 8, 2019)
- 10 Hours of Community Service (completed by April 5, 2020)
- Select Confirmation Name (chosen by April 5, 2020)
- Attend all Confirmation Rehearsals and Mass - (Dates TBD)
- Baptism Certificate (if outside of St. Bernard Parish)

Service Hours Suggestions

- ✓ **Parish Service**
 - Parish Festival Support (Sept. 27th – 29th)
 - Pumpkin Festival Support (Sept-Oct)
 - Trunk or Treat (Oct 26th)
 - Lector/Collector at Life Teen Mass
- ✓ **Community Service**
 - Visit Senior Centers, Disabled Children
 - Soup Kitchen, Food Pantry, Food drives
 - Peer Tutoring
 - Help Neighbor - Babysitting, yard work (non-paid)
 - Volunteer for school/sports activities

9th Grade Life Teen Schedule 2019 - 2020

Begins with the Youth Mass (5PM - 8PM)

(Families Encouraged to Attend- No Mass Sept. 15th)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sept 15 th - Kickoff 6pm (M) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2- Day Retreat (Feb. 8-9) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oct 6 th - Life Night (M) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Feb 26 th - Ash Wed. (M) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tues. Oct 8 th - (P) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Mar 15 th - Life Night (M) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nov 10 th - Life Night (M) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Mar 18 th - (P) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mon. Nov. 11 th - (P) | <input type="checkbox"/> April 5 th - Life Night (M) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wed. Dec. 4 th (P) | <input type="checkbox"/> Thur. April 9 th - Mass (S) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dec 8 th - Life Night (M) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fri. April 10 th - Mass (S) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jan 5 th – Life Night (M) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jan 5 th – Parent Meeting | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tues. Jan 7 th - (P) | |

(M) = Mandatory (P) = Pizza and Prayer Night

Must attend all Life Nights (M), 2-day Retreat and 2 Pizza and Prayer Nights (P)

(S) Community Service Opportunity

Youth Mass Etiquette

- ✓ Please arrive before 5:00 PM and check in downstairs
- ✓ Please NO gum, candy, drinks or food in Church
- ✓ Please NO cell phones
- ✓ Please NO socializing/talking during the Mass
- ✓ Please remain reverent and prayerful during Mass

Sponsor Requirements

- Sponsor Form (completed by Dec. 8, 2019)
- Attend Retreat Closing Mass – Sunday, February 9, 2020
- Attend Confirmation Rehearsal and Mass (Dates TBD)
- Pray for and support your Candidate

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the Earth.

Oh God, you taught the hearts of the faithful, by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit, we may be truly wise and always rejoice in His conciliation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Life Teen Retreat (February 8-9, 2020)

Cathedral Camp

167 Middleboro Road, East Freetown, MA 02717

- Please arrive no later than 8am
- Reminder - No breakfast will be served on Saturday morning.
- Pickup on Saturday evening by 9:30pm
- Return on Sunday morning by 8am
- Closing Mass for Retreat - Sunday, February 9th at 2 PM
- Parents, family, sponsors and friends are invited to Mass
- NOT a Sleep Over

Please Bring

- Comfortable Clothes
- Jacket
- Snacks/Drinks to share
- Medications (if applicable)
- Homework (if needed)

Please Don't Bring

- Cell Phone
- iPod/MP3 player
- Lap Top
- Bad attitude

Note: Parents will be given special contact numbers in case of an emergency

Directions to Cathedral Camp

From St. Bernard Church, Assonet:

Take Route 24 North to exit #12a, Route 140 South.

From Route 140, take Exit 8 (Chace Road/East Freetown).

Bear right off exit.

At rotary, take second exit onto Mason Road.

At the end of Mason Road, turn left onto Middleboro Road (Route 18).

Code of Conduct

- I realize that as a participant in the Confirmation Program, I represent my church community, my family and myself. I will conduct myself in an appropriate manner at all times.
- I will treat and be treated by adult and peers with courtesy and respect. I will refrain from profanity, abusive, offensive or sexual language and/or humor.
- I will not engage in any illegal activity, including possession or use of alcohol, tobacco products, or any other controlled substance, and agree that such behavior will result in me being removed from the program and/or being held by law-enforcement personnel until picked up by my parent/guardian.
- I will respect the property of others both at St Bernard Church and elsewhere.
- I will comply immediately with all instructions given by an adult leader. If I have disagreements or concerns, I will bring them to the attention of the directors or Priest.
- To the extent that I am able, I will participate fully in the activities that are planned or chosen by the group leader.

I understand...

- ✓ ...that joining St. Bernard's Confirmation program is completely voluntary. It is an important decision that needs my full participation and openness.
- ✓ ...that I will do my best to take this decision seriously and will participate and support my peers on this journey. I will ask questions, share my thoughts and opinions. I will strive to be as truthful as possible in my words and actions.
- ✓ ...all responsibilities and their deadlines which *ALL must* be completed before I am Confirmed.
- ✓ ...that I will do my best to pray every day to further my growth and understanding of the Holy Spirit
- ✓ ...that any inappropriate behavior will never be tolerated.
- ✓ ...that I have read and will follow the Code of Conduct.
- ✓ ...that I accept and recognize all that I am responsible for and all that is asked of me, with the help of my parents/guardians, family, sponsor, Pastor and youth leaders.

Gifts of the Holy Spirit

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| ✚ Wisdom | ✚ Counsel/Right Judgment |
| ✚ Understanding | ✚ Fortitude/Courage |
| ✚ Knowledge | ✚ Piety/Reverence |
| ✚ Fear of the Lord/Awe and Wonder of God | |