

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION



Dear Parents and students, WELCOME!

What an exciting time of year it will be for your family, as your child makes that decision to become a disciple of Christ as he/she is Confirmed in the Catholic faith.

There will be lots of preparation that will go into the decision, to participate in the Confirmation ceremony.

There will be projects that must be completed and handed in on time as well as completing 20 hours of community service and attend a day retreat. **Start them ASAP- do NOT delay.**

Fulfilling the requirements is not the only factor in deciding who will or will not receive Confirmation, a lot of the year will be teaching the children to become responsible young adults of the Church, therefore their maturity level plays a big part in the final decision.

- Are they ready to take on that responsibility?
- Will they be able to go forth and proclaim the Word of God?
- Have they prayed upon this decision carefully?
- Do they see it more as a “graduation” the culmination of their years of study that have come to an end, and they no longer need to participate in our Catholic faith?

Please take the time before classes begin to consider those questions listed above.

- 🔥 Confirmation is generally received in the eighth grade. (8th) or higher.
- 🔥 Student successfully completed two years, consecutively, prior to enrolling in confirmation preparation class.
- 🔥 If a student is enrolled in the High School Sacrament Preparation class, they have completed one full year and is enrolled in the second year.
- 🔥 Actively participates on a regular basis, in the Catholic rituals; Reconciliation, Eucharist & the Mass.
- 🔥 Attend Mass on a weekly basis and hand in a signed bulletin from the Mass.
- 🔥 Will complete all required projects by deadlines given. (Saint report and Letters of Faith)
- 🔥 Will complete 20 hours of community service.
- 🔥 Attend a day retreat to prepare their body and soul for Confirmation.
- 🔥 Attend and participate in religious education classes on a regular basis.
- 🔥 A Sacrament fee, in addition to tuition fee, is required at registration. The fee covers extra expenses required for a Sacrament. Retreat, Robe, speakers, Bishop, certificates etc.

PARENT~ CANDIDATE PLEDGE



Roles and Responsibilities of Parents

“Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children. (CCC 2223)

Parents make that initial promise to raise their child in the Catholic faith when their child is baptized. Preparation for Confirmation continues that commitment.

Because parents are the primary educators of their children, parents are expected to:

- Worship with your family regularly. Attend Mass regularly, hand in signed bulletin.
- Encourage your child to complete assignments and activities.
- Encourage your child to pray about the decision to be confirmed.
- Pray for your child’s spiritual growth every day.
- Attend all required meetings, programs, etc.
- Be involved in church activities.
- Explain that Confirmation is not graduation.

By signing this Pledge, you are acknowledging responsibility for your child in the preparation of the sacrament of Confirmation. By making the decision to be confirmed, parents are agreeing, to encourage their child to remain active in their faith and their parish community, beyond the date of Confirmation.

(Parent signature)

Candidates are signing that they understand the commitment that is involved in the sacrament and understands that if all requirements are NOT handed in when due that they may jeopardize their chance of receiving the Sacrament this year and it can be delayed by another year, possibly.

(Candidate signature)