



Saint Genevieve Catholic Church

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Dear Parents,

My name is Nicole Osmer, I am the director of Religious Education for St. Genevieve Church.

According to our records, your child is a candidate to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Genevieve Catholic Church for 2020-2021.

The Church recognizes that once your child receives the Sacrament of Confirmation they will be held responsible for their faith, the students will be required to complete at home assignments during this program. We, the Church, support your child's efforts in this educational process by having classes to further educate your child about the faith. We will also be hosting a retreat before the Sacrament in which your child will have a chance to attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation and mass.

We understand that your child is receiving a Catholic education through a private or homeschooling program. Keeping this in mind, we have tailored our Confirmation Program to prepare your child for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Your child will only be required to attend certain classes throughout the Confirmation program. The class schedule can be found in the Confirmation packet.

To enroll your child in our Confirmation Sacramental Program please go to this site: <https://www.stgens.net/confirmationenrollment> On this page there will be a link in red. Please click the link to fill out our registration form. **YOU MUST SUPPLY A COPY OF YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISMAL AND FIRST COMMUNION CERTIFICATE.** A picture of these documents can be sent to stgensdre@gmail.com or they can be dropped off at the church office. The registration process for your child will not be complete without it. **Cost of materials for both the Sacrament and Retreat is 65 dollars. Please the make check payable to St. Genevieve Catholic Church.** The last day of registration is November 5th.

We look forward to working with you and your child this year!

God Bless,

Nicole Osmer
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Confirmation Classes

11th Grade 2:30-3:45 pm in Mystical Rose Hall

All Confirmation Candidates are required to help decorate and take down decorations for Christmas.

All Confirmation Candidates are required to help decorate the Church for Easter.

Students are required to attend the East Triduum, Holy Thursday Mass, Good Friday Way of the Cross and Service, Easter Vigil Mass (held on Holy Saturday evening.)

November 8th Mandatory Parent and Confirmation Candidate Meeting in
Mystical Rose Hall at 11am to 11:30am

November 29th

December 13th

January 31st

February 28th

March 28th

April 25th

May 16th

Confirmation Practice on May 27th at 6pm in the Church

Confirmation Mass May 29th at 10am in the Church

Individual Pictures for Confirmation will begin at 8:45 am and last until 9:30am before the Mass.



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Confirmation for Catholic School Students

The Sacrament of Confirmation is the sacrament that celebrates the presence of God's special strength and gifts in a baptized person. This is a sacrament of initiation and a community celebration. For the candidate, this sacrament will strengthen them in the life of the Holy Spirit by giving them the gifts of wisdom, understanding, judgment, courage, knowledge, love and reverence for God. The candidates for confirmation will be required to do the following:

1. **All Confirmation classes are mandatory.**
2. Candidates must sign the attendance chart for each class.
3. All candidates must complete the required work for the class.
4. All candidates will need to turn in a Sponsor form and verification of Confirmation of chosen sponsor by February class. A copy of **Sponsor's Confirmation certificate is required.**
5. Sponsors will need to attend the designated sponsor Confirmation class. Please look at the calendar for the date. (If they live out of town a parent may take the place.)
6. All Candidates must help decorate the church for Christmas and take down decorations.
7. All Candidates must help decorate the church for Easter and take down decorations.
8. All candidates must attend at least one retreat during the PSR Calendar year. The calendar year begins in August and ends in April.
9. There will be a Confirmation retreat that the Church will put on. Candidates are encouraged to attend, but they may attend any out of parish Catholic Retreat.
10. If a student chooses to attend an out of Parish retreat, he or she will need to pick up an out of parish retreat form. The form must be turned in no later than April 1st. If a candidate does not make this requirement, he or she will not be allowed to be confirmed.
11. It is mandatory that candidates participate in the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil Mass) at St. Genevieve Catholic Church. Candidates must check in with DRE in front of the church for each service. If you do not check in it will count as unattended.



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12. Candidates will be required to submit a Confirmation Request letter, which will be given to the pastor stating their reasons why they wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. This letter is required in order to receive the Sacrament. The requirements for this letter can be found on the church's website under Confirmation.
13. Candidates and sponsors must attend practice for the Confirmation Ceremony. (If the sponsor is not available parent can be replacement.)

Failure to complete all of the requirements listed above will result in the dismissal of that candidate from our Parish School of Religion (PSR) and will not be permitted to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation for that year.

Dress Code for Confirmation:

Male: Button down dress shirt, tie or bow tie, dress belt, dress pants, dress socks, dress shoes. Dress jackets and suits are encouraged but not required. NO JEANS, NO SHORTS, NO CASUAL SHOES or ATHLETIC SHOES.

Female: Must wear a dress. Dress must be below the knee. Dress must have straps that are at least three inches thick. Dress shoes with a back must be worn.

All Candidates will be required to wear red gowns for Confirmation. These gowns will be worn in the group picture.

Dress Code for Easter Triduum Masses and Services:

Male: Button down dress shirt, or collared shirt, dress pants, dress socks, dress shoes.. NO JEANS, NO SHORTS, NO CASUAL SHOES or ATHLETIC SHOES.

Female: Must wear a dress or dress pants and dress shirt. Dress must be below or at the knee. If dress is shorter it can be worn with leggings. Dress must have straps that are at least three inches thick. Dress shoes must be worn.