

Confirmation Final Interview Questions



We are looking for insightful and persuasive responses to questions and faith development!

Philosophy to show readiness for the sacrament of Confirmation:

- 1. values and insights internalized and explain yourself to yourself and others
- 2. an intellectual knowledge of morality from Topic Night topics or Catholic School
- 3. a commitment to service
- 4. consistent attendance at mass a minimum of 1 year before Confirmation.

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1. Attendance Review: of classes attended
2. Homework Review:
3. Confirmation Requirements Checklist:
1. BAPTISM AND THE STATE OF GRACE
2. MIMIMUM AGE
3. FORMATION IN THE FAITH OF THE CHURCH
4. EXPERIENCE OF CHRISTIAN LIVING
5. PROPER DISPOSITION
6. MIMIMUM OF 2 YEARS OF PRIOR CATECHESIS
7. A DAY OR EVENING OF PRAYER (RETREAT) <u>X</u>
8. REHEARSAL FOR CONFIRMATION LITURGY
9. PASSED FINAL INTERVIEW / READY TO BE CONFIRMED
Questions: (only some will be asked)
General:
1. What in your experience of life convinces you there is a God?

- 2. By what qualities, actions, or behaviors should we be able to distinguish a Catholic?
 - 3. Why do you come to mass? How often do you come to mass at Nativity?
 - 4. What is the official Catholic teaching/reasoning on these Topic Night topics?

2016/2017 – The Sacraments of Initiation, The Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick, The Sacraments of Holy Orders and Marriage, Advent, Immaculate Conception, Epiphany, Moving Faith into Adulthood, Turning Faith into Reality, Making Good Faith Choices, Building Christian Relationships, Ash Wednesday, Lent, Palm Sunday/Holy Week

2017/2018 – Angels, Nicene Creed, Purgatory, Developing Intimacy with God, Friendship with Christ, Identity and Self-Image, Advent/Immaculate Conception, Culture, Media, and Faith, Relating to Others, Lent, Parent/Teen Communication

2018/2019 – The Gospels, Having a Personal Relationship with Jesus, Advent, Immaculate Conception, Church / Community of Faith, Christmas / Nativity, Epiphany, Sacraments, Eucharist as the Bread of Life, Maturing as a Catholic, Media Messages, Dating, Values / Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs

2019/2020 – Sermon on the Mount, Sin and Reconciliation, Immaculate Conception, Catholic Morality and Critical Thinking, Making Catholic Moral Decisions, Abortion, Baptism of the Lord, Forming Conscience, Catholic Sexual Morality, Marriage

Class #1: The Creed in which the Christian mystery is the object of faith

- 5. <u>The History of Confirmation</u> explain the story of Pentecost and the Holy Spirit's involvement in Pentecost.
- 6. <u>The Theology of Confirmation</u> explain Confirmation in relation to its place in the Sacraments of Initiation.
- 7. <u>Guidelines For Doctrinal Formation For Confirmation</u> choose and explain 1 line from Apostles Creed or Nicene Creed.
 - 8. Name and explain the relationship between the two natures of Jesus.
 - 9. What is grace, how do we get it, and what does it do for us?

Class #2: The Sacred Liturgy, Christian Prayer and Our Father

- 10. Our Father (Lord's Prayer) explain # 4 and #5.
- 11. What event in Jesus' life gave us the mass we have today?
- 12. Explain the meaning and history of the word "Eucharist".
- 13. What is the priest's role in the mass?
- 14. What is the "communion fast"?

Class #3: The Holy Spirit in the Catechism of the Catholic Church

- 15. <u>The Gifts of the Holy Spirit</u> name and explain how you will put 1 of the gifts of the Holy Spirit to use in your life after Confirmation.
- 16. What are the 3 parts of the Trinity? Which one is most important for Confirmation?
 - 17. In what ways do we come to know the Holy Spirit?
 - 18. What are some symbols of the Holy Spirit?
 - 19. What is the color of Confirmation and what does it represent?

Class #4: Sacraments of Initiation based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church

- 20. What is the definition of a sacrament?
- 21. What are the 3 things/elements that make a sacrament?
- 22. What are the 3 sacraments of initiation and what happens in each one?
- 23. How did the apostles confer the Holy Spirit?
- 24. What is the name of the holy oil used in Confirmation and what does it symbolize?
 - 25. Who is the ordinary minister of Confirmation?
 - 26. What are the words and responses at the Confirmation moment?

Final Questions:

- 30. Where do you pray best and why?
- 31. How do you reflect Catholic values in your life?
- 32. What does Confirmation mean to you?
- 33. What is one religious tradition or custom your parents passed on to you?
- 34. How do you plan to further your religious training after Confirmation?
- 35. How do you intend to serve the Church community after Confirmation?

- 36. Do you think your Confirmation promise to be a responsible self-sufficient Catholic will be easy to keep?
- 37. What can I do to help you learn or grow in your faith now or after your Confirmation?