

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM 2023-2024

Sessions to be held the 2nd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH, 3-6 p.m., in the RE building, September-February.

*January's session will be the 1st Sunday. *February's session will be the 1st Sunday.

Confirmation candidates are expected to attend ALL six sessions.

➤ **The confirmation sponsor or one parent needs to attend every session with their teen candidate.**

Attendance at a weekend-long retreat is also required to fulfill confirmation preparation. The date of this year's Retreat is TO BE DETERMINED.

Students are expected to attend Mass on a weekly basis. A Mass Participation Record should be turned in at the monthly Confirmation session, for the prior week's Mass attendance. Youth Masses will be held on the 1st Sunday of the month, starting in September, at the 9 am Mass.

CALENDAR

- **Wednesday, April 26, 2023 – Sponsor Requirement Sheet due!**
- **Sunday, Sept. 10 – Session #1** (Rite of Confirmation), 3-6 p.m. – **Parental Consent form due!**
– **Parent Meeting**
- **Sunday, Oct. 8, 9 a.m. Mass – Confirmation Investiture:** candidates will publicly invest themselves into the Confirmation preparation program during the 9 a.m. Mass. Sponsors need to attend this with their candidates. Parents are also invited to attend. (A parent may substitute for the sponsor if necessary.)
- **Sunday, Oct. 8 – Session #2** (Holy Spirit / Pentecost), 3-6 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 11 - Opening Mass**, 6:30 p.m.
- **Sunday, Nov. 12 – Session #3** (Holiness / Saints), 3-6 p.m. – **“Why I want to be Confirmed” essay due!**
- **Sunday, Dec. 10 – Session #4** (Prayer), 3-6 p.m. – **Sponsor Letter due!**
- ***Sunday, Jan. 7 – Session #5** (Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy), 3-6 p.m.
– **Patron Saint essay due!**
– **\$ Retreat fee due!**
- ***Sunday, Feb. 4 – Session #6** (Gifts & Fruits of the HS), 3-6 p.m.
– **Community Service form and essay sheet due!**
– **Letter to Fr. Pedro due!**
- **TBA – Blessing Ceremony** and **Practice** for Candidates, their parents and their sponsors, 3 pm
- **TBA – Confirmation Retreat**
- **TBA – Confirmation Interviews / Reconciliation: 4:15 – 5:30 p.m.** candidates will meet with Fr. Pedro in his office for their interview, then do reconciliation that will last approximately 15 minutes. Please, BE ON TIME!! *My interview day:* _____ *My interview time:* _____
- **TBA – Confirmation** for candidates and sponsors
- **Wednesday, May 8 – Closing Mass**, 6:30 p.m.

If you cannot make any of these dates, please contact me at (979) 450-4187 so we can discuss options. Thank you for your role in your child's faith journey. Mrs. Bonnie Holub, DRE