



St. Catharine Confirmation Preparation

Confirmation is the special outpouring of the Holy Spirit as once granted to the apostles on the day of Pentecost. (CCC #1302) The Sacrament of Confirmation unites us more closely with Jesus. We are strengthened with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. We accept new responsibilities for serving Jesus in the world. What a beautiful Sacrament! Alyssa and Brayden Steller will work with families to prepare candidates to receive this special gift.

Practice of the Faith: It is presumed that candidates for Confirmation attend weekly Mass according to the laws and precepts of the Catholic Church.

Family of Faith: candidates for Confirmation should be regularly attending Family of Faith with their parents. Outside of the Sunday gatherings, families should complete several of the activities together each week.

Service: Candidates should spend time sharing their love of Jesus with others. It is really not enough to know about our Faith. We must put our Faith into practice in the world.

- Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance.
- Talk to your parents to discuss ideas about how you can love your neighbor.
- Find out about ways you can help at St. Catharine or service organizations connected to the Church in our Diocese. You should also serve in your community and in your family, but please find some way to serve the Church as well.
- You will not have to “turn in” a certain number of hours this year, but you will be asked to write a reflection about what you have learned by serving Jesus and His Church.

October 15-17, 2021 Confirmation Retreat at Damascus
(Friday evening to Sunday afternoon)

November 18, 2021 Confirmation Parent Meeting at 6:30pm
(In the Parish Hall)

November 21, 2021 Confirmation Preparation for Candidates 9:30-10:45
(Meet Brayden and Alyssa Steller in the grand hallway of the new parish center.)

January 16, 2022 Confirmation Preparation for Candidates 9:30-10:45
(Meet Brayden and Alyssa Steller in the grand hallway of the new parish center.)
*****Service reflections and Saint reflections due.**

January 21, 2022 Paperwork due (Continued)

1. Confirmation information form (pink form)
****If you were not baptized at St. Catharine Church, a copy of your Baptismal certificate must accompany this form.**
2. Sponsor Form (yellow form)
3. Confirmation Sponsor Statement of Faith / Sponsor's Parish Certificate (green form)
****If your sponsor is not from St. Catharine Church, he/she must have it signed and stamped by his/her priest. If he/she is from St. Catharine, leave that part blank and Fr. Morris will sign them all at once.**

April 3, 2022 Confirmation Candidate Retreat 12:00-4:45
(at St. Catharine)
****Saint Reflections and Service Reflections due** to Mr. and Mrs. Steller

May 3, 2022 Confirmation Rehearsal at 6pm
This is REQUIRED. Meet in the Church. The Confirmation candidate and sponsor should be in attendance. If the sponsor is unavailable, a parent must "stand in."

May 7, 2022 Confirmation Mass at 10am
Candidates should dress appropriately for the Mass.

- **Girls:** dress (not sleeveless); modest length (past the fingertips when standing); no flip flops
- **Boys:** suit; dress shirt; tie; dress shoes

In order that the sanctity of the liturgy is preserved, it is requested that **no pictures** be taken during the Mass. A photographer will be hired and the photos will be shared with families at a later date.