

Schedule of Confirmation Classes & Activities 2026-2027

*The classes and other required dates are marked with *. This calendar also includes optional activities through which you may earn Service as well as enrich your understanding of your Catholic faith.*

***Wed., Sept. 16, 7:00-8:30 p.m. OR Sun., Sept. 20, 6:30-8:00 p.m.: ORIENTATION** with parents and students

***Wed., Oct. 7 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class; Turn in your chosen **Saint Board** sometime **between TODAY and Oct. 28** for display at the Nov. 1 Masses.

Sunday, Oct. 11 Teen Catholic: 6:30-8:00pm, St. Gianna Room (end of dining room) at Our Lady of Grace. This is an optional high school youth group that includes public/home school students and Bishop Ryan students. Feel free to invite a friend to join you. Each time you attend, ask Terri Niess, the youth minister, to sign your orange service slip. Turn it in to the Faith Formation office and you will receive 1 hour of Parish Service.

Sunday, Oct. 18 Emmaus Retreat: 12:30-6:00pm, Bishop Ryan Catholic School. This is an optional enrichment activity through which you may earn 1 Mass & 2 hours of Parish Service. Pre-registration required with Faith Formation Coordinator Tanya Watterud or Youth Director Terri Niess. Mass at the Retreat meets your Sunday obligation.

***Wed., Oct. 28 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class; **final day** to turn in your completed **Saint Board**

Sunday, Nov. 8 Teen Catholic: 6:30-8:00pm, St. Gianna Room (end of dining room) at Our Lady of Grace. This is an optional high school youth group that includes public/home school students and Bishop Ryan students. Feel free to invite a friend to join you. Each time you attend, ask Terri Niess, the youth minister, to sign your orange service slip. Turn it in to the Faith Formation office and you will receive 1 hour of Parish Service.

***Wed., Nov. 11 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class; This class begins with Adoration in the main church, as part of the parish's Treasures of the Church event that evening. Then class follows until 8:30 p.m.

***Wed., Nov. 18 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class; Reminder to turn in your **Sponsor Info**

***Wed., Dec. 9 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class; 2nd reminder, turn in **Sponsor Info**

Sunday, Jan. 10 Teen Catholic: 6:30-8:00pm, St. Gianna Room (end of dining room) at Our Lady of Grace. This is an optional high school youth group that includes public/home school students and Bishop Ryan students. Feel free to invite a friend to join you. Each time you attend, ask Terri Niess, the youth minister, to sign your orange service slip. Turn it in to the Faith Formation office and you will receive 1 hour of Parish Service.

***Wed., Jan. 13 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class; Safe Environment lesson; Remind your Sponsors about completing and returning the **Affidavit to Serve as Confirmation Sponsor**

***Wed., Jan. 27 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class; at least half of your Mass service and Parish service should be completed by now

***Wed., Feb. 3 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class

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Sunday, Feb. 7 Teen Catholic: 6:30-8:00pm, St. Gianna Room (end of dining room) at Our Lady of Grace. This is an optional high school youth group that includes public/home school students and Bishop Ryan students. Feel free to invite a friend to join you. Each time you attend, ask Terri Niess, the youth minister, to sign your orange service slip. Turn it in to the Faith Formation office and you will receive 1 hour of Parish Service.

***Wed., Feb. 24 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class

Sunday, Mar. 7 Teen Catholic: 6:30-8:00pm, St. Gianna Room (end of dining room) at Our Lady of Grace. This is an optional high school youth group that includes public/home school students and Bishop Ryan students. Feel free to invite a friend to join you. Each time you attend, ask Terri Niess, the youth minister, to sign your orange service slip. Turn it in to the Faith Formation office and you will receive 1 hour of Parish Service.

***Wed., Mar. 10 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class

***Wed., Mar. 31 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class

Sunday, Apr. 11 Teen Catholic: 6:30-8:00pm, St. Gianna Room (end of dining room) at Our Lady of Grace. This is an optional high school youth group that includes public/home school students and Bishop Ryan students. Feel free to invite a friend to join you. Each time you attend, ask Terri Niess, the youth minister, to sign your orange service slip. Turn it in to the Faith Formation office and you will receive 1 hour of Parish Service.

***Wed., Apr. 28 CLASS:** 7:00-8:30 p.m. Class (final class of this school year); if your Mass and Parish service hours are not yet completed, please visit with Tanya about what you can do to complete them during the summer

***Wed., Sept. 15: Confirmation Interviews, groups appointments will be made between 5:00 and 6:30 p.m.**

***Also Wed., Sept. 15: 7:00-8:30 p.m. CLASS/RETREAT with your Sponsor (or parent if Sponsor is not available)**

***Wed., Sept. 22: Rehearsal for Confirmation Mass, followed by confessions, 7:00-8:30 p.m.; either the Sponsor or a Parent must attend Rehearsal with the student**

***Sun., Sept. 26: Confirmation Mass, 10:30 a.m., arrive by 9:30 a.m. for pictures**

Other opportunities for Service and Growth:

July Cor Christi Institute at the University of Mary: This is an amazing summer camp-style time of meeting Catholic friends and learning together about your Catholic faith. You'll stay in the dorms at U-Mary and interact with priests, seminarians, religious sisters and youth leaders as you attend classes, enjoy recreation, have meals together, and more. The parish provides transportation to U-Mary, and parents pick students up on the final day so they can participate in the closing Mass. There are two options for when you may attend: July 12-16 OR July 19-23, 2027. Watch for the registration forms to be available sometime in the latter part of this school year. *You'll earn 1 Mass and 4 Parish service hours for attending.*

Steubenville Conference, St. Paul, MN: The Diocese of Bismarck coordinates buses of students to attend this annual event in July for high school students. Watch for more information as it becomes available. *You'll earn 1 Mass and 2 Parish Service hours.*