



Confirmation Preparation Information & Requirements

1. All 12 Sessions are attended by Candidate and Parent
 - a. Same parent does not have to attend all meetings – both parents can attend if they wish
 - b. Session time is Sunday from 2:30PM-4PM
2. Retreat Requirement
 - a. Candidates **MUST ATTEND** retreat
 - b. Date (April 25th, 2026 – as long as Confirmation date isn't before this)
 - c. Half-day retreat (start & end times discussed in class)
 - d. All Parents not required – but some/many will be asked to help lead small groups (which will not include their candidate)
3. Homework & Challenges
 - a. Homework for each session will be posted online soon and links provided
 - b. Challenges for each week will be given during the session to do over the time before our next meeting
4. Service Project
 - a. Each candidate will need to complete a service project
 - b. List of opportunities will be distributed later, with enough time for families to plan their calendars
5. Documents
 - a. Copy of Baptismal Certificate (turned in ASAP)
 - b. Letter to the Bishop
 - c. Confirmation Saint Choice Form
 - d. Sponsor Form
 - e. Program Survey
 - f. All documents will be discussed with candidates and distributed with return due date during the Confirmation Retreat
6. Confirmation Rehearsal
 - a. Required for all
 - b. TBA – will be scheduled immediately after we are assigned our Confirmation date
7. Confirmation Mass
 - a. Our Confirmation Date will be set by Bishop/Bishop's Office
 - b. Each parish's date is typically given to parishes during Spring (late January or February at earliest)
 - c. Parents and candidates will be informed as soon as St. Mary's Confirmation date is set
 - d. Recently the Bishop has been combining multiple parishes into one Confirmation Mass, this is likely to be the case this year
8. Program Cost
 - a. \$70 total per candidate (can be split into \$30 for program & \$40 for retreat)
 - b. No family will be turned away for financial reasons