



Immaculate Conception Parish

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Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation - Program Information for Years 1 and 2

The celebration of the Eucharist is the foundation of all faith. Immaculate Conception's religious education program consists of families attending Mass together every weekend, to hear the word of God, to lift prayers to our Heavenly Father, and to receive our Lord's Body in Holy Communion.

Dear Family,

The mission of the Immaculate Conception Parish religious education program is "to go and make disciples of all nations through prayer, study, generosity, and evangelization." Our Confirmation Preparation program is designed to walk with your family as your child grows in these four areas of faith. Below you will find an overview of the Confirmation program for Grades 7–12. Teens who have completed Grade 12 are invited to contact Mrs. Melo in the Religious Education Office for more information. To enroll your child, please review and complete the attached registration form.

The Confirmation Program is a two-year journey with monthly or bi-monthly sessions. Each year includes approximately 14–16 sessions. During both years, students and families are asked to participate in the following:

- Students are expected to attend every session from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Parish Building at 119 Washington Court, unless otherwise announced. Because each session is thoughtfully prepared for the group, missed sessions cannot be made up. If your child must miss a session for a serious reason, such as illness, please contact the Religious Education Office at religious.education@icmarlboro.org or call 508-485-0116 and leave a message. We kindly ask families to help students plan extracurricular activities and part-time work around their religious education commitments whenever possible.
- Students will attend the 5:00 p.m. Mass with the Confirmation class on each session date.
- **Mass Attendance Requirement** – Attending Mass weekly is a requirement of the Sacramental preparation process at IC. Students can attend Mass with their family at IC at any of these times:

In English: Saturday at 4pm, Sunday at 7:30am, 11am or 5pm

In Spanish: Sunday at 1pm

In Portuguese (Brazilian): Saturday at 5:30pm or Sunday at 9am

Each student will receive a Mass attendance booklet at the start of the program term in September. Each week, students should ask the Priest, Deacon, or a Catechist to sign the booklet for the date they attend Mass. If the booklet is forgotten, a signed Church bulletin

from that week may be submitted at the next class. Families who attend Mass at another Catholic Church should bring a signed bulletin from that parish to class. Mass attendance is monitored. If your child is sick and cannot attend Mass, please notify the Director of Religious Education by phone or email. Students may have up to four excused absences.

We appreciate your cooperation in supporting regular Mass attendance throughout the year.

- Students will attend all retreats listed on the calendar.
- Students will participate in the Sacrament of Confession at least once during the year.

In Year 2, students will also complete the following steps as they continue preparing for Confirmation:

- Submit a Confirmation Sponsor eligibility form as soon as possible.
- Complete a Saints Project by researching a saint and sharing a poster board presentation during one session. The date will be announced.
- Write a letter to the Bishop expressing their desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. The due date will be announced.
- Complete 20 hours of charitable work/community service.
- Complete and pass the end-of-year assessment/final exam.
- Attend the Sacrament of Confession during Lent and again before the Confirmation Mass.
- Attend a brief 15–20-minute final consultation with the Program Coordinator and Priest. The date will be announced at the end of the year.
- Attend the Confirmation rehearsal and Sacrament of Confession, with dates to be announced, and participate in the Sacramental Mass.

The calendar for Years 1 and 2 is available on the Parish website. Since each session is specially prepared for the students, missed sessions cannot be made up. The schedule may be adjusted as needed for Parish events, and families will be notified of any changes.

Confirmation tuition is \$150 per student, per year. Thank you for your prompt payment.

Please download, print, and complete the registration form, then return it with your tuition payment to: Immaculate Conception Parish, Office of Religious Education, 9 Washington Court, Marlborough, MA 01752. Thank you for allowing us to accompany your family on this important faith journey.

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2026-2027 - Confirmation Preparation Program - Registration Form

STUDENT INFORMATION

Tuition is \$150 per student/per year.

Student Name _____

Home Address _____

School Grade (September/Fall): _____ Name of School: _____

Date and Place of Birth: _____

Is there any information that the team should be aware of? Please include information regarding allergies.

Registration is for: ☐ Year 1 or ☐ Year 2 (Students must have successfully completed Year 1 at IC to advance to Year 2.)

FAMILY INFORMATION

Mother's Name: _____ Maiden Name: _____

Name Father's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone (where you may be reached during class time): _____

Emergency Contact (other than mother or father): _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Please check if the parent/guardian would like information on:

☐ Baptism/Holy Communion/Confirmation for Adults

☐ Marriage Convalidation

STUDENT'S SACRAMENTAL FORMATION

(Please check here ☐ if your child received these Sacraments at IC)

If not, kindly request the sacramental record from the Parish of Baptism and/or First Holy Communion and submit it to the Religious Education Office as soon as possible. Failure to provide this information will delay your student's reception of the Sacrament.

BAPTISMAL Information

FIRST EUCHARIST (HOLY COMMUNION) Information

Date	Date
Church	Church
Address	Address
Telephone	Telephone
Email address	Email address
Photograph & Video Use Policy During the year, photographs and videos may be taken by parish employees or volunteers for parish or local media use (parish website, bulletin, social media sites, bulletin boards, newspapers, local cable news station). Initial here if you do not want to participate: _____	
Please initial here to confirm that you have read, understand, and agree to the Mass attendance requirement. _____	

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____