

2026-2027 Confirmation Parent Information Packet/Checklist

Requirements Checklist:

- **1 Retreat**
- **3 Service Hours**
- **Sponsor Form** (Due October 1st, 2026)
- **Saint Report** (In Class)
- **Baptismal Certificate**
- **Faith Formation Application**
- **Confirmation Application** (*Separate from Faith Formation Application*)
- **Participation in Family Faith Formation**
- **80% Session Participation**

Dear Families,

The 2026-2027 Confirmation Year is finally upon us! I am so excited to see new and familiar faces here at St. Joseph's Life Teen as we begin our sessions.

- **It is a requirement that all teens during their Confirmation prep attend Mass every Sunday.** Although Mass is a requirement of our faith already apart from Life Teen, it is even more important that teens and their families attend Mass weekly. All teens and their families are greatly encouraged to participate at the Life Teen Mass at 5:30pm on Sundays.

Sponsor Form with Requirements: <https://pdf.ac/8y3OrP-9>

Baptismal Certificate: If you haven't already, please submit a copy as soon as possible. If your teen was baptized at St. Joseph, you do not need to submit their baptismal certificate.

Confirmation Application: (*Separate from Faith Formation Registration*)

- **Application :** <https://pdf.ac/TfgGj51o>
- **Payment:** <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZN5P/home>

Retreats: Retreats are open to all teens in Life Teen but are only a requirement for those in Confirmation II. Below is a list of opportunities for retreats throughout the year. Emails will be sent throughout the year to encourage and remind families about these opportunities. Visit our website for more information.

- + September 21, 2026: *Red Top Mountain Day Retreat*
- + January 16: *St. Joseph Day Retreat*
- + February 26-28: *Weekend Confirmation Retreat*
- + June 2027: *Covecrest Summer Camp (TBA) \$665*
- + July 2027: *Steubenville Atlanta (TBA)*

Service Hours: Teens need at least 3 recorded service hours before Confirmation. Opportunities will be offered throughout the year as a group, but they do not have to be church-related service. An excellent way is to usher at the Life Teen Mass on Sundays! The form to fill out and submit can be found on our website.

Family Faith Formation: The pinnacle is centered around the Bishops of Atlanta's new vision for catechesis: Family Faith Formation. In short, ***this will be a once-a-month requirement*** for families to gather to learn about their faith together as a community.

Catholic High School Students (CHS): *Catholic High School students and families are required to attend our Family Faith Formation Days* once a month. CHS students are still highly encouraged, not required, to attend our age group sessions. Additionally, CHS students are not required to attend a retreat in

person but must complete the “*Greater Online Confirmation Retreat*” with proof of completion. (<https://greaterretreat.com>)

Session Attendance: Students are encouraged to attend all sessions offered but are required to attend at least 80% of classes. Consistency is key to the faith and relationship with each other and Christ in our program.

Confirmation: The actual date of Confirmation is confirmed until March 2027; however, the date should be on a Saturday in August 2027. This will be emailed to parents as soon as they are confirmed by the Bishop.

For any further questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me!

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