

Confirmation Program Requirements at Sacred Heart- St Louis Parish

Year 1

Those planning to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation are expected to be actively involved in the parish community (*in addition to regular Mass attendance every Sunday*) the year prior to receiving the sacrament.

Attendance to all Confirmation Classes. There are 13 classes if a class is missed the work must be made up. No more than two classes can be missed without having to complete extra assignments.

Attendance to World Youth Day Event. This event is on **October 23** beginning with mass for the youth, followed by dinner and a concert or talk. Place to be announced and will be with other youth groups from the area.

Participation in Youth Group events, there are many different events though out the year and each teen must participate in at least four events.

Memorization that is required before teens can start the second year:

Our Father, Hail Mary, The Creed, Act of Contrition, and The Ten Commandments. Teens will be a tested.

Participation in Annual Plant Sale as this is the major fundraiser for the year.

Year 2

Eight Expectations to meet in order to be Confirmed.

The year students will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, after having completed one year of active involvement in the parish community, the following requirements need to be met the year they will be confirmed (dates correspond to those on track to receive the sacrament Spring 2012 and subject to change):

1. Regular Mass attendance – Confirmation initiates us into full membership with the universal and local church, insisting on a personal commitment to attend Mass **each** Sunday and holy days of obligation.
2. Liturgy Hours, active participation during mass, to include: singing in the girls choir, carrying the collection basket, bring up the gifts during mass, being a greeter before mass.
3. Homework assignments at each monthly meeting that confirmandi will receive a short reading along with discussion questions to go over and prepare them for the next meeting.
4. Choose a Confirmation Sponsor: A. Be designated by the one to be confirmed, his or her parents, or the pastor. This person is to have the qualifications and intention of performing this role. B. Must be at least 16 years old. C. Be a Catholic who has been Confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist and leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken. D. Not bound by any canonical penalties. E. Not be the father or the mother of the one to be Confirmed.
5. Choose a Confirmation name - One of the traditional practices in the Church at the time of Confirmation is choosing a name of a saint that you find is someone whom you look up to as a role model or prayer to for assistance, or a saint you would like to be like one day.
6. Attend 2 retreats; retreats are an amazing opportunity for participants to dig deeper into their faith lives and get to know one another a little better. The Confirmation Retreat is required and counts as one of the retreats.
7. Interview with Confirmation catechist team all confirmandi will set up time to meet with Confirmation catechist team and be expected to know the Seven Sacraments, Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Theses must be known by December.
8. Letter to the Bishop indicating desire to be confirmed this letter is to help the Bishop know a little about you as he prepares to celebrate this awesome sacrament.

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I hereby give Sacred Heart- St. Louis Faith Formation Program permission to use photographs of my teen in the parish website and activity promotions. I understand no identifying information of the minor will be made available on the parish website or promotional material. This permission for photographic display of your minor will be effective the year your teen is enrolled in the program unless this permission is revoked by you in written notice to the Youth Coordinator of Sacred Heart- St. Louis parish.

I have read through the expectations of the Sacred Heart- St. Louis Faith Formation Confirmation Program and agree to meet expectations of program.

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Parent Signature

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Date _____

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