



CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS

- Each Candidate must clearly understand that the Sacrament of Confirmation is the completion of the Sacrament of Baptism; that they are confirming the vows taken by their parents and godparents at Baptism.
- Attend Mass weekly - Faithful attendance at Mass weekly is a **MANDATORY** requirement. **Attending Mass at the completion of class (9:30 or 11:30 AM) does NOT satisfy this requirement. The first Sunday of every month the students will attend Mass (9:00 or 11:00 AM) as a class.**
- Successfully complete class requirements which will be defined to the candidates in their classes by their teacher.
- Attendance at all classes - **THREE ABSENCES (January 8th- April 15th)** may result in repeating the class and the Candidate not being Confirmed, unless there is a serious medical or family reason.
- Come to class on time! Candidates coming in late are very disruptive to class and this will not be tolerated.
- Write a letter to Fr. Jennings requesting to be Confirmed - the letter should explain why the Candidate wants to be confirmed, should demonstrate an understanding of the Sacrament and should include how Confirmation will effect their lives. (Check calendar for when this letter is due).
- Interview with Fr. Jennings - the Candidates will be asked questions that will demonstrate their readiness for Confirmation and their willingness and ability to spread and defend their faith as confirmed Catholics.
- Complete 3 Community Service Projects – **One** must be outside the Parish, examples: Helping at area Nursing Homes, Senior Homes, Participating in the March for Life, working at a food bank or food kitchen, assisting at a homeless shelter. You could even run your own coat drive or food drive for the homeless or needy. **One Project** must be for the Parish and the **Third** can be for either. All outside the Parish Service Projects must be approved ahead of time by your teacher. Your teacher will also be consulting with the coordinator of whatever Parish activity you choose, to be sure you were an active participant.
- Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation: All candidates must receive this sacrament within 1 month of their Confirmation. Consult the bulletin for times.
- Attend the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, February 25, 2012 – **MANDATORY – If a Candidate fails to go on the retreat he/she may not be confirmed. You have advanced notice for the date of this retreat so please work all schedules around it. If, for serious reasons beyond your control, you miss the retreat, contact the RE Office as soon as possible.**
- Attend the Confirmation Rehearsal – **MANDATORY for Confirmandi** – We would like to have the Sponsor there if possible and at least one parent.
- Must turn in Sponsor Certificate on or before **March 11, 2012.**
- Must turn in Baptismal Certificate on or before **December 18, 2011**, if not baptized here at St. Christopher's.

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(Sign and detach bottom of form and return to teacher)

After reading the above requirements, I wish to become a candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation and will dedicate the time necessary to prepare the best of my abilities understanding that if all these requirements are not met that I may not be Confirmed.

CONFIRMANDI'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

I have read the above requirements and will assist my child to the best of my abilities understanding that if all these requirements are not met my child may not be Confirmed.

PARENT'S/GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____