

CONFIRMATION EXPECTATIONS

Candidates

- Attend all monthly meetings in order to receive a necessary foundational preparation and immediate Confirmation preparation to understand the Rite of Confirmation and its essential elements regarding Catholic Teaching.

Oct 3 (Orientation) ___ Nov 17 ___ Dec 5 ___

March 6 Retreat _____ (4:30-8:30pm with Mass)

April 10 ___ May 1 ___ Confirmation Date to be announced once Bishop schedules date

- Sign together with a parent the Candidate Covenant at the Orientation October 3. We will need to have all forms in by October 10th for Commitment Sunday Welcoming Rite at all the weekend Masses.
- Candidates will be interviewed through a written document and confirmation registration form, and followed up in person, if deemed necessary by Wendy
- Attend another 10 or more AXIOM events. (Attendance taken by Stephanie Craig) or participate in other events that enable the candidate to experience the life and support of the parish. Apologetic Classes, ministry training and service opportunities, ICYC, parish retreats, etc. will all count towards the ten credit requirement for confirmation reception. please see list of approved opportunities. Report on Candidate's interest/participation in parish life is due November 7.
- Choose a sponsor and provide his/her name and phone number to your facilitator or to Wendy by the November 7th meeting.
- Choose a Confirmation Name and provide this name to your facilitator or Wendy by the December 5 meeting.
- Attend the Retreat on March 6 (4:30-6pm, followed by Mass, followed by XLT and adoration until 8:30pm). Other retreats are encouraged, especially the Idaho Catholic Youth Convention (ICYC) held at Bishop Kelly High School sponsored by the diocese.
- Complete a Community Service project and prepare a written report prior to Confirmation. This project & completed report form is due no later than March 6.
- Candidate should receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to Confirmation. Reconciliation services are held during Advent, Lent, and at the ICYC. The Sacrament may also be received on Saturdays at 3:30pm p.m. at St. Mark's before the 5pm Mass.
- Prepare a letter to the Bishop outlining why you wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. These are due to Wendy by the April 10th meeting for forwarding to the Bishop as a group.
- Final Report (Ten Event Credits) on Participation in Parish Life April 10
- Candidates and their sponsors will be interviewed before last class on May 1

Parents

- Attend the Orientation meeting October 3 and sign the Candidate Covenant for Commitment Sunday Welcoming Rite on October 10
- Attend at least ½ of the Confirmation meetings; participate in small discussion groups.
- See that the Sponsor is selected by November 7 and communication is occurring regularly. Sponsors should receive a guide and are welcome and encouraged to come to classes if they are able.
- Engage in faith sharing activities with your candidate and stay in communication with Wendy

