

# CONFIRMATION INFORMATION FOR ALL FAMILIES

*Dear Parents,*

*Confirmation may be a few years away for your child or it may be this year. Either way it is important that all of our families are aware of what the expectations are before a student can receive this sacrament. This is a list of what is required of students preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation and their families. These items are in the policy of the Diocese of Youngstown and St. Patrick Parish will follow that policy.*

- 1.) **Sacraments are a parish celebration so, to be confirmed at St. Patrick Parish, families must be registered and active members of St. Patrick Parish.**
- 2.) Students are presented for the Sacrament of Confirmation during the eighth grade or later.
- 3.) Students must be Baptized and must have received First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.
- 4.) Sponsors must be fully initiated active Catholics, that is, they must be Baptized and Confirmed, and receiving Eucharist, regularly. They are not required to be members of this parish! In accordance with Canon Law, **Parents cannot be sponsors for their own children.**
- 5.) Students must be participating in the sacramental life of the church by going to Sunday Mass (or Saturday evening) and receiving Eucharist weekly. Students should stop and say hello to Sister Rose Ann or another catechist in the back vestibule so that we know they are at Mass that weekend.
- 6.) The Confirmation program is actually a 2-year process. It is required that students participate in religious education classes in either a Catholic school or CCD program for at least 2 years immediately prior to receiving Confirmation. If you did not attend CCD and you were not in a parochial school last year, you will NOT be confirmed this year!
- 7.) Students must attend all of the Confirmation preparation sessions and the retreat.

*Once you have received this sacrament, you are a fully initiated member of the Roman Catholic Church. By being Confirmed, you are making a renewed commitment to embrace your Catholic Faith.*

*There should be an understanding, then, that Confirmation is not the end of your religious education and formation. Catholics must make the effort to grow in their faith for the rest of their lives.*

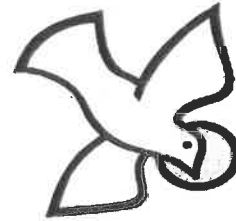
*If you have any questions or concerns regarding the requirements for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, please ask me or Father Pentello. We would be happy to help.*



God's blessings,

Linda Kavalec,  
Director of Religious Education

# CONFIRMATION 2018-2019



September, 2018

Dear Parents,

As we prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 6, 2019 at St. Columba Cathedral in Youngstown. It is important to be aware of the following:

- 1.) Confirmation is celebrated in the eighth grade or later.
- 2.) Students must be Baptized and must have received first Holy Communion.
- 3.) Confirmation is a parish celebration, so to be confirmed at St. Patrick Parish, families must be registered active members of this parish.
- 4.) Students must be participating in the sacramental life of the church by going to Sunday Mass and receiving Eucharist weekly.

The Confirmation program is a 2-year process. It is required that students participate in religious education classes in either a Catholic school or a CCD program for 2 years prior to receiving Confirmation. In addition to these classes, students must also participate in the Confirmation preparation sessions and activities as noted on the Confirmation Calendar on the back of this page.

**PARENTS AND STUDENTS MUST ATTEND:**

**PARENT CANDIDATE MEETING**  
**SUNDAY-OCT. 14, 2018**  
**9:35 TO 10:50 a.m. - CHURCH HALL**

- 5.) Sponsors must be Baptized, Confirmed and active members of a parish. It is *recommended* that one of the child's Baptismal sponsors be the Confirmation sponsor.  
**Parents cannot be sponsors for their own children.**

Let us work together in preparing your children to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a very important sacrament and students must understand that there are commitments they are expected to fulfill.



God's Blessings,

Linda Kavalec  
Director of Religious Education

**CONFIRMATION RECORD CARD DATA**  
**ALL FORMS AND FEES ARE DUE ON SEPT. 23**

I AM IN THE EIGHTH GRADE OR OLDER AND WOULD LIKE TO BE CONFIRMED \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM

I AM ALREADY CONFIRMED \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM

I WAS CONFIRMED AT PARISH CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ AT AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

I DO NOT WISH TO BE CONFIRMED AT THE PRESENT TIME \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM

STUDENT (FIRST/MIDDLE/LAST NAME) \_\_\_\_\_  
(AS IT WILL APPEAR ON THE SACRAMENTAL RECORD AND CERTIFICATE)

DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_ BORN IN: (CITY/STATE) \_\_\_\_\_ AGE ON APRIL 6, 2019 \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Adult T-shirt size: S M L XL  
(STREET ADDRESS) (CITY/ZIP)

FATHER'S FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RELIGION \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (MAIDEN NAME IS ALWAYS USED FOR ALL SACRAMENTAL RECORDS!)

MOTHER'S CELL # \_\_\_\_\_ FATHER'S CELL# \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING CONFIRMATION TO:**

ADDRESS (SAME AS ABOVE) \_\_\_\_\_  
(STREET ADDRESS) (CITY/ZIP)

BEST PHONE # TO CALL REGARDING CANCELLATIONS AND SCHEDULE CHANGES \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT'S CONFIRMATION NAME AND SPONSOR (IF YOU DON'T KNOW, LEAVE IT BLANK FOR NOW)

CONFIRMATION NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (WE MUST HAVE THIS BY JANUARY MEETING!)

SPONSOR NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (WE MUST HAVE THIS BY JANUARY MEETING!)

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDEN \_\_\_\_\_

**SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION:** I WAS BAPTIZED IN A CATHOLIC CHURCH: YES NO

**CHURCH OF BAPTISM:**  
CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

YOU MUST PROVIDE A BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE BY SEPT. 23 IF YOUR CHILD WAS NOT BAPTIZED OR DID NOT RECEIVE FIRST COMMUNION AT ST. PATRICK PARISH! PLEASE ATTACH A COPY (NOT THE ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE) A BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE MAY EASILY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE CHURCH OF BAPTISM.

I HAVE RECEIVED FIRST RECONCILIATION YES NO I HAVE RECEIVED FIRST EUCHARIST YES NO

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_