

## Confirmation Notes

### Basic Information



**Sponsors:** Each candidate must have a sponsor. The sponsor may be either male or female. Here are some guidelines to follow to find a sponsor:

- A sponsor needs to be a practicing Catholic.
- A sponsor needs to be a Confirmed Catholic at least 16 years of age
- Godparents are great (As this indicates the close connection between Baptism and Confirmation).
- A sponsor should not be a parent.
- A sponsor should be someone to look up to as a Faith Role Model.
- A sponsor should be available to share in Confirmation preparation spiritually and physically.

**Confirmation Names:** As Confirmation is connected to, and dependent upon, Baptism for its meaning, it is appropriate that the Baptismal Name be used. However, another name is acceptable. Traditionally, saint names have been chosen or someone who is an exemplary Catholic Role Model.

**Dress:** Appropriate dress is required at the time of Confirmation. Church best is a good guideline.

**Reconciliation:** It is recommended that the candidate participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Confirmation. Reconciliation will be offered at the retreat.

**Basic Information:** Attendance is required at all sessions. If a session is missed, material will need to be made up. Appropriate behavior is always expected at any function. The candidate's attitude needs to be that of a willingness to learn and participate.

**Application for the Sacrament of Confirmation:** This form must be completed and turned in by **February 5, 2018**. Please be sure complete information is included on the form-especially Day, Month and Year of Baptism! **Please include a copy of your Baptismal Certificate unless you were Baptized at St. Edith.**

**Christian Service:** The candidates are to complete 10 hours of Christian Service. Suggestions for Service Projects are included. Please record the hours and have a person in charge sign on the sheet. This must be completed and turned in with the packet by **February 5, 2018**.

**Letter of Request to be Confirmed:** The Candidate should write a letter addressed to our Pastor Fr. Jim McNulty, requesting to be confirmed. The format is up to you, but somewhere in the content you should address what being Confirmed will mean to your faith life and what being a Catholic Christian means to you. Please remember to sign your letter and include it in your packet by **February 5, 2018**.

Thank you for your time and support in working together with us in your son/daughter's faith formation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation is a new beginning into adult faith. We encourage continual growth in faith through prayer, Life Teen Youth Ministry and participation in community and church activities.