



### *Confirmation Guidelines 2016*

- *Candidate must attend Mass every Sunday with their family. Holy Mass is the heart of the Catholic Faith and the essence of all of the Sacraments.*
- *Candidates must choose a sponsor meeting all of the guidelines required of a Godparent: Active Catholic at least sixteen year of age, Baptized, Confirmed, First Communion, and if married, married in the Catholic Church.*
- *Candidates must write a one page essay on a saint of their choice. To be turned in to Scott no later than the interview with Father Karl.*
- *Candidates must participate in faith formation by completing 20 service hours. See attached guidelines and log.*
- *Candidates must be interviewed by Fr Karl during the preparation process. He will open up scheduled times to meet with him.*
- *Candidates must be willing of their own accord to be confirmed in the church.*
- *Candidates are asked to attend the retreat to count as their confirmation retreat. Retreat date is October 28th-30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Cost is \$100. Partial scholarships are available as needed.*
- *Candidates must attend an 8 week session to specifically prepare for the Sacrament. Dates are attached. These sessions will be Sundays, from 3:30-5:30 in the Youth House.*

*We sincerely hope that through their preparation for Confirmation, the candidates develop a deeper relationship with God and His Church.*

*Thank you for all your prayers and support for our Youth as they become adults in the faith.*

*Confirmation Mass will be held at 7pm on May 5th, 2017*

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*Dates for upcoming Confirmation sessions*

*Date*

*9/25/16 - The Jesus Question? - Teens*

*10/9/16 – Stinking Thinking - Teens*

*10/16/16 – Eucharistic Miracles - Teens*

*10/25/16 – Exorcism and Spiritual Warfare- Teens \*\*\* A Parent must attend also \*\*\**

*10/28/16-10/30/16 – ‘Fallen’ Retreat at Camp Ithiel near Orlando. Cost is \$100*

*4/2/17 – The Bible - Teens*

*4/9/17 – The Church - Teens*

*4/23/17 – Made for Mission - Teens*

*4/30/17 – Gifts and Fruits - Teens \*\*\* A Parent must come to a separate session in Ministry Building\*\*\* Parent Session – Relationships led by Father Karl.*

*Please make plans to attend these sessions for your teen to be confirmed.*

*Any absences could postpone the confirmation date for your student.*

*Sessions will be held at the Youth House from 3:30-5:30pm on Sundays.*



### *Saint Essay Information*

- Please choose a saint whose story touches your heart and inspires you.
- Write a one page typed letter to this saint.
- Include why you would like to have him or her as your confirmation saint.
- Try to relate aspects of your own life to the life of the saint.
- You may use any resources, but may not use plagiarism
- These must be turned in by March 13th so Scott has time to read them.
- Have fun and get to know your saint. Be personal and open up to them, they are our intercessors and will have your back for your adult life.

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*Confirmation Service Hours Guidelines.*

*As part of the requirements for Candidates to be confirmed, they must complete 20 service hours during their confirmation year, this may extend from the summer before up to April 1st 2017.*

*The Spirit of these confirmation hours is to allow the Holy Spirit to work through the candidates in service to God's People and His Church. Service in a church ministry is strongly encouraged in hopes that the candidate will continue to do so after they receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.*

*In that Spirit, these service opportunities will count towards the requirements:*

- Time spent assisting the Mass will count as Half time since the Candidate is required to attend Mass. For example, Altar Serving, Ushering, Serving in the Choir, and Lectoring will count as a half hour per mass they participate in. Any time spent outside of mass preparing for these services will count as full time.*
- Other Ministries within the church will count as full service for time spent doing so. For example, Squires, Teaching RE, Hospitality Ministry, Middle School Core Team, Bible Study, and assisting in the decorating and maintenance of the church buildings and grounds will all count as full time.*
- Special opportunities to assist the church throughout the year will be communicated through our 'Weekly Update' sent out in an email campaign to all of the candidates and parents.*
- It is also encouraged for the parents to participate in the service hours with the candidates to show the candidates that we as Catholics don't do this for 'credit', but instead because it is part of the mission Christ set before us.*
- Secular service will still count but the focus should be to strengthen the relationship with God.*
- We hope that the Candidates choose something of interest to them to provide a service for.*



# Confirmation Service Hours Log

How did the service you provided to the church bring you closer to God?

If your service helped individuals, How did it feel to help these people?

After Confirmation, will you continue your service to God and his Church?

If so, Why?

If Not, Why Not?

How did the Holy Spirit work through you during your service hours?

Thank you For Choosing to continue to be a part of Christ's Church.

God Bless you in all you do!!