

Formation Sessions

Each candidate is required to attend all of the formation sessions. Because each session is built on the others, candidates will need the permission of the Confirmation coordinator to miss any formation sessions.

Christian Ministry Awareness Project

Because candidates will be confirmed by the gift of the Spirit to give witness to Christ by living lives built on faith and love, they will be expected to complete a Christian ministry awareness project before the end of the learning sessions. Requirements will be determined by the project chosen.

Letter to the Bishop

Because the bishop is the usual minister of the sacrament, candidates for Confirmation are asked to write letters to the bishop. Candidates will receive direction for writing the letters as part of the program.

Readiness Interview

Each candidate will participate in an informal interview with the Confirmation coordinator or another member of the Confirmation team to help the candidate assess his or her own readiness to celebrate the sacrament.

Retreat

Each candidate will participate in a retreat to spend time in discernment, reflection, and community building with the other young persons in the program.

Celebrating Confirmation

The climax of our program is the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation with our bishop.

Formation Follow-Up

Candidates are expected to continue their religious formation through grade 12 in our regular parish religious formation program or at a Catholic high school. They are also expected to participate in the parish youth ministry program.

Any questions concerning these requirements can be answered at the parent meetings, at the parent and candidate entrance meeting, or in a call or e-mail to the Confirmation coordinator. We welcome any and all comments aimed at helping our program grow to meet the needs of our young people.