

Confirmation 2022 Student/ Parent Meeting Notes:

What is Confirmation?

"Confirmation deepens our baptismal life that calls us to be missionary witnesses of Jesus Christ in our families, neighborhoods, society, and the world. . . . We receive the message of faith in a deeper and more intensive manner with great emphasis given to the person of Jesus Christ, who asked the Father to give the Holy Spirit to the Church for building up the community in loving service."

-from the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults

Why be Confirmed?

- ✚ Brings you closer to God the Father.
- ✚ You will be completing the Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church.
- ✚ You will be "Sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."
- ✚ Strengthens the grace that began at baptism.
- ✚ Unites you more firmly to Jesus Christ.
- ✚ Inspires you to defend the faith.

What is involved with Confirmation Preparation?

1. Active participation and completion of assignments in your **Religion class** at QAS **OR** Regular attendance, participation, and completion of assignments in **Tuesday Night Religious Education Confirmation Classes**
2. Regular entries in your online **Confirmation [Acts of Service journal](#)**
 - a. *These Acts of Service are based on the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy*
 - b. **12 reflections due by April 5, 2022**
 - i. *8 on Corporal Works of Mercy and 4 Spiritual Works of Mercy; examples and more information on the Works of Mercy can be found in the online journal.*
 - ii. **Feel free to get a head start this Summer**

REMEMBER...Doing Acts of Service is NOT about counting hours....
It's a chance for you to reflect on your actions, and how you are living out your discipleship!
3. Regular **Mass attendance** on Holy Days and Sundays and completion of **6 Homily Reflections**
 - a. **Completed (1 per month beginning in September) by March 29, 2022**
 - b. The Homily Reflection Journal is to help you engage more fully in the Mass
 - c. **A packet will be provided for students when classes begin in September (extra copies will also be available at church in the vestibule). We encourage your student to complete these during Mass**
 - d. Reflections can be turned in to your QAS HR Teacher or Tuesday Catechist
4. Required **Confirmation retreat**

Additional Information/ Date to Remember:

- ✚ **Confirmation Parent and Student Meeting in September or October 2021**
 - Topic: Sponsors, Confirmation Names (Saints), & Retreat.
- ✚ **Confirmation Enrollment Mass on Saturday, November 20 at 5:00 PM (date subject to change)**
- ✚ **Confirmation Information Form (Due January 18, 2022)**
 - Including Confirmation Saint Name & Sponsor Information!!
 - More information will be provided during our **September Meeting**
- ✚ **Letter to Father Simon (Due January 18, 2022)**
 - Students will be writing a letter to Father Simon about their faith journeys towards Confirmation.
 - Father Simon uses these letters for the Confirmation Interview and will call you out if you did not turn one in!
 - More information will be provided during our **September Meeting**
- ✚ **Interviews with Father Simon (Scheduled during class time February- April)**
- ✚ **Confirmation Retreat (REQUIRED)- DATE TBD**
 - More information will be provided during our **September Meeting**
- ✚ **Confirmation Practice with one adult (preferably the sponsor) Date TBD**
- ✚ **Confirmation Mass in Spring 2022; Date TBD**