

Sacrament of Confirmation: Timetable & Eligibility 2024

1. Rite of Welcome Mass (was Sept 10th):

- This is the first public ritual for confirmation candidates.
- Expresses the intention to follow the way of Jesus Christ and asks for the support of our community to pray.

2. Confirmation Candidate [Registration](#):

- Complete Registration Form and provide a copy of Baptismal Certificate.
- Maintain reliable, permanent, and accurate records.
- Do this as soon as possible.

3. Choosing a Sponsor:

- [Sponsors must meet specific qualifications.](#)
- A parent can stand in, but only if there is no other suitable sponsor.

4. Choosing a Confirmation Name:

- [Candidates may use their baptismal name or a Christian name.](#)

5. Knowledge Requirements:

- Know the [10 Commandments](#)
- Know the [7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit](#).
- Be prepared to list how you were of service to your parish.

6. Confirmation Interview: **IMPORTANT Dec 26th-Jan 21 St time slots only!**

- [Scheduled date \(Note Location\) Do this soon!](#)
- Candidates and parents attend together.
- An alternative family member can attend if a parent cannot.

7. [Parents/Love Letter](#) (Due by Feb):

- Write a love letter to your son or daughter.
- Seal and submit directly to Maureen or the parish office.
- Kept a secret until the retreat.

8. Bishop Letter of Intent/Questionnaire (Due by Feb):

- The Archbishop requests that candidates use the questionnaire form instead of a letter.
- [Questionnaires](#) should be printed and signed by candidates, then read by the director prior to submission to the Archdioceses. Please return by Feb 2024!

9. Confirmation Retreat (March 9-10) Overnight:

- Archdiocesan requirement.
- [PERMISSION SLIP](#)
- Explore alternatives if unable to attend the scheduled retreat.

10. Confirmation Rehearsal & Sponsor Night (April 2nd, 6-8 pm):

- Essential for preparation.
- Provides an opportunity for sponsors and candidates to share faith.
- Parents can attend if sponsors are unavailable.

11. Class Attendance Requirements:

- Attend all classes and Masses regularly.
- An attendance record is maintained and made available at interview.

12. Service Hours:

- Community service is critical for preparation and is made available at interviews.
- 10 service hours are required. [Download service hours document.](#)

13. Confirmation Day (April 7th, 2 pm at St. Clare):

- Arrive 15-30 minutes early.

14. If you can not attend the April 7th Confirmation at St. Clare, let Maureen know. She will help you locate another date at another parish. [Parishes and Confirmation dates.](#)

[Frequently asked questions](#) about Confirmation from the Archdioceses.

Confirmation is not a graduation, but a step in ongoing faith formation. Adult formation opportunities are available for all participants. Your active involvement enriches the Church's mission.