Holy Archangels Parish

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM CHECKLIST and PROJECT BOOK

2024-2025-2026

To be completed by February 1, 2025 (Confirmation 2)
or by February 1, 2026 (Confirmation 1)

Candidate name: _____

Candidate grade: _____

"It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit…"

John 15:16

CONFIRMATION IMPORTANT DATES

Confirmation 1:

Classes begin after Labor Day.

Confirmation 1 Parent & Student Meeting: Saturday, 9/21/2024 @ 10:45 AM at St. Hubert School.

Commitment Liturgy: November (TBC).

Reconciliation during Lent.

Submit all forms and start working on Service Hours.

Confirmation 2:

Classes begin after Labor Day.

Confirmation 2 Parent & Student Meeting: Saturday, 9/14/2024 @ 10:45 AM at St. Hubert School.

Reconciliation during Lent.

Letter of Intent: due February 1.

Complete Service Hours: due February 1.

Confirmation 2 Retreat (parents join at 12 PM): Saturday, March 15, 2025, from 10 AM to 3 PM at St. Hubert site. **Letters to parents and to students** will be shared.

Confirmation Rehearsal (with School): Wednesday, April 30, 2025 @ 6:30 PM at St. Matthew Church.

Confirmation Mass (with School): Friday, May 2, 2025 @ 6:30 PM at St. Matthew Church.

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PARENT PREPARATION AGREEMENT

As a parent of a child preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, I will make every effort to participate fully in my child's preparation for this Sacrament, specifically:

I will ensure that my child is adequately prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation through which they are made strong and more firmly obligated by word and deed to witness to Christ and to spread and defend the faith (Canon Law, 879).

As a parent, I am the first herald of the Faith to my child (CCC 1656). I will ensure the faith formation of my child and will ensure that my child completes their homework and other requirements assigned by their catechist. This includes:

- Completion of weekly lessons & assessments.
- Submission of service hours, required forms, and letter of intent in a timely manner.

I will ensure that my child participates each Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (Canon Law, 897).

I will attend the 8th-grade retreat and ensure that my student attends and fully participates in this retreat as well.

I understand that Confirmation is NOT graduation from faith formation but an important milestone in my child's journey toward intentional discipleship. Therefore, I will continue to support and encourage my child to practice the faith throughout the year and in the succeeding years after Confirmation.

I understand that failure to complete the above requirements may defer my child's reception of the sacrament of Confirmation.

Parent's Name: _____

Student's Name: _____

Parent Signature & Date: _____

STUDENT PREPARATION AGREEMENT

As I prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, I will make every effort to adequately prepare for the reception of the Sacrament, specifically:

The Lord commands us to "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy" (Exodus 20:8). As I prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, I will attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in person each Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation.

As it is written in Sacred Scripture, "Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who calls you to account for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15). Therefore, to continue to grow in my knowledge of the faith, I will attend my Faith Formation classes and complete my assignments.

Christ came "not to be served, but to serve" (Mathew 28:20). Looking towards the example of Christ, I will selflessly and lovingly serve others as I prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation through the completion of 24 service hours.

For each year of Confirmation preparation, I will reflect on how my service was a response to God's love and a reflection of God's love for others.

Christ spent 40 days in the desert before He began his public ministry. Through the Sacrament of Confirmation, I am more "strictly obligated to spread and defend the faith by word and deed." (CCC 1285). Therefore, I will attend and actively participate in the 8th Grade Confirmation retreat to prepare to receive the sacrament and to grow as a true witness of Christ.

I understand that failure to complete the above requirements will defer my reception of the sacrament of Confirmation for this year.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature & Date: _____

COMMITMENT LITURGY

ENROLLMENT CEREMONY FOR CONFIRMATION during this Mass.

Confirmation Candidate Promise

I, _____ a member of Holy Archangels Parish, hereby desire to affirm my belief in Jesus Christ and His Church through the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Therefore, I ask to become a candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation and to enter the program of preparation being offered to me by Holy Archangels Parish.

To the best of my ability, I agree to take part in the formation sessions and activities that are a part of the program of preparation.

I accept the responsibility to open my mind and heart to the power of the Holy Spirit and to be faithful to the reception of the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/s Witness: _____

LETTER OF INTENT

Candidates in the Confirmation formation process are asked to neatly handwrite a one to two-page letter to our pastor, Fr. Tomy Abraham.

Students are encouraged to write their letters from the heart, using the following questions as their guide. Each question should be answered completely.

- Introduce yourself. Tell something about your family, your background, your interests, etc. What does being confirmed mean to you?
- What does your faith mean to you? What does it mean to you to be Catholic? What role do God and your faith play in your everyday life?
- Why do you want to be confirmed? How are you preparing for this Sacrament?
- How will you participate in our parish community after you receive the sacrament of Confirmation? How do you plan to continue your commitment to the Catholic Church, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, in order to keep your faith real and alive in the future?
- In the final paragraph (last question from above), tell how you hope to live out the commitment to Jesus and the Church which you make in Confirmation.
- Use a correct closing, such as “Sincerely yours” or “Sincerely.”
- Sign your name.
- Place your letter in a clean envelope, addressed to Rev. Tomy Abraham. Write your own name on the upper left-hand corner of the envelope.

DUE DATE: 2nd year of Confirmation preparation, February 1

"The world offers you comfort, but you are not created for comfort.

You are created for greatness."

- Pope Benedict XVI

Mass Attendance

Directions: Please have a priest, deacon, usher, or your teacher sign this form after every Mass you attend.

Month	Write the date of the Mass you attended, and have it signed	Write the date of the Mass you attended, and have it signed	Write the date of the Mass you attended, and have it signed
September			
October			
November			
December			
January			
February			
March			
April			

Checklist of completion/submission:

☐ Confirmation Information Form

☐ Baptism, Communion certificates

☐ Sponsor Information Form

☐ Commitment Liturgy

☐ Letter of Intent

☐ Letter to the parent ☐ Parent letter ☐ Saint name presentation

☐ RITE OF RECONCILIATION

RECEIVED RECONCILIATION ON (date): _____

PLACE: _____

Report on Service Project

Directions: Please complete this form for every service project completed. Please print neatly. You will need 8 hours in EACH category.

Date(s) of Project: _____ Location: _____

The number of hours on this project is: _____

Category (choose one): ☐ Parish ☐ Community ☐ Charity

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