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We pray that this will be a meaningful year for you as you continue on your journey towards Confirmation. Confirmation completes the process of initiation that started when you were baptized; it is your opportunity to personally commit to the teachings of Catholicism and take ownership of your faith! In Confirmation we recognize the special gifts given to you by the Holy Spirit. We encourage you to discover these gifts and use them to contribute to the life of your parish. God has a very special place for you in

His Church!

At this point in your life many responsibilities compete for your time. It is tempting to push your faith commitments aside to make room for what may seem to be more important tasks. But, devoting time daily to your faith will help you deal with the challenges and difficulties you will face; it will put other aspects of your life into perspective. We encourage you to take time to better know God and the Catholic Church as you prepare to be confirmed.

To help make this journey more meaningful, several experiences must be completed during the upcoming year:

1. A one day RETREAT, to be scheduled which everyone MUST attend.
2. A total of 25 service hours, 5 of which must be spent in your home parish
3. Choosing a SPONSOR – an adult who has been confirmed. Choose someone who has been significant in your faith life. A sponsor cannot be a parent, and really should not be a guardian.
4. A Confirmation NAME which reflects a unique aspect of who you are – this name needs to be the name of a recognized Saint.
5. A letter to the BISHOP. There are guidelines in your packet.

Finally, attending weekly mass with your parish community is an important part of becoming an adult member of the church. Attendance at Confirmation class is also mandatory.

Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers throughout the upcoming year. If you have any questions, or need to talk, feel free to contact us – our contact information is in the Confirmation Handbook. We are proud of you and the commitment you have made to your faith!

In Christ's Service,

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