

Confirmation Requirements

YEAR 1 CFF FAMILIES

PARENT REQUIREMENTS:

Parents: Sacramental preparation is the most important time to be intimately involved in your child's faith formation. While you might drop off your student at their respective ONE EIGHT, EDGE (Middle School), or LIFE TEEN (High School) Nights, sacramental preparation can't be a "drop off" mentality. Please stay on top of requirements, due dates, etc. Please read the emails and respond – in action or word. Engage your student in discussion about the lessons – we supply you with the resources to do this, so please use them! Model the faith in action!!!! That means...attend Mass, get involved in parish life, help us when we ask for it, and so on! ***We need your commitment to make Confirmation Preparation a priority!*** 😊

Family Attendance at Mass Each Weekend (Saturday Vigil Mass or Sunday Masses)

This is a covenantal obligation of every Catholic. Parents, your student is dependent on you to get to Mass. You need to model the faith for them in the most important way – attend Mass! We also encourage the family as a whole to participate more fully in the liturgy. Every member of the family should ask themselves how you can each do your part to participate more fully in Mass. If you feel called, there are various ways to assist in the liturgy: Usher, Altar Serve, Greeter, Choir, Pass out Bulletins, Presentation of the Gifts, EM, Lector, etc. Granted some of these ministries have requirements, but if you're interested, ask us and we'll put you in contact with the Ministry Lead so you can get more information and get involved!

Parent Service Hours

In order for our children to learn the gift of service, they need to see it modeled...and it is most impactful when it is modeled by their parents. During sacramental preparation, parents are required to complete:

- **4 Parent Service Hours to the parish each catechetical year of sacramental preparation.** This parish service can be done by...helping with parish events, participating in parish ministries (outside of liturgical ministries), and/or through the gift of donations.
(\$20 CASH or GIFT CARD = 1 service hour) no checks please.

AND...

- **Year 1 W.O.M. Service Project with your student.** The Year 1 W.O.M. Service Project is designed to be a FAMILY service project. At least 1 Parent is required to participate with their student on their chosen W.O.M. Service Project. Parents are required to complete all of the Service Project elements with their student EXCEPT the Reflection Essay (which is to be written by the student AFTER the service project is completed).

Parent Workshops

One of the best examples we can share with our children is the importance of continuing our own adult faith formation. Throughout ONE EIGHT, we stress to the students that our entire lives are spent learning about our faith, growing closer to God, and strengthening our spiritual lives. This is why we are requiring parents to attend a total of 6 Workshops during their student's sacramental preparation journey. This is typically broken up in to 3 Parent Workshops per year, although we will credit workshops over a rolling 3 year cycle in case you have recently had other children go through sacramental preparation. Please inquire in the office if you need clarification on your specific situation with regards to the Parent Workshops.

Be Involved!

The summation of this page is that you have to be involved in your student's Faith Formation journey towards the Sacrament of Confirmation! Make Confirmation Preparation a priority in your family schedule! Ask your student questions! Let them ask YOU questions! Don't worry if you don't know the answer – you can help them find the answer in their YOUCAT! If that doesn't work, you have clergy and Core Team Members to go to...we can always help you find the answers! Be a model of the faith for your student. Don't be Catholic in name only...be Catholic through your own actions! And if ever you need help along this journey, we are here to support you and help you through, just as we are for your student! 😊