

IMPORTANT DATES FOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES

- Sat. Oct. 23** **Make a Difference Day** – National day of volunteering
- Wed. Nov. 3** **Saint Biography** – student must research the name they choose for their Confirmation name and write a biography on that saint.
Oral reports will be given in class.
- Sun. Nov. 7/14** **Commitment Mass** – for confirmandi and parents, **Bring your signed commitment paper with you to Mass. (actual Date by Parish still TBD)**
- Wed. Nov. 17** **Sponsor’s name and address** submitted to CCD teacher. Bring completed **Sponsor Selection Form** and **Application for the Reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation** to class.
- Wed. Nov. 17** **Begin the sponsor interaction process.** Complete this during Christmas break.
- Wed. Dec. 8** **Letters to Fr. Gene and Fr. Jim Seibert** due – asking for consideration for receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Use the Rite to Inscription paper as a **reference sheet**. Write your letter in your own words using those points as examples.
- Wed. Jan. 5** **Sponsor interaction form is due**
- Sun. Feb 13** **Confirmation Retreat** at the Spiritual Center. **This retreat is mandatory. Time TBD**
- TBA **Personal interviews** will take place sometime after first of the year
- Wed. Mar. 23** **Confirmation practice** – 7 PM for students and their sponsors
- Sun. Mar. 27** **Confirmation** – 2 PM St. John’s Church

****PLEASE SAVE THIS SHEET AND REFER TO IT OFTEN**

Pledge of Commitment

Understanding that I am still in the decision-making process about whether or not to celebrate the sacrament of confirmation, I do choose to commit myself to the confirmation program. In doing so,

- I promise to attend each session and participate in the activities, discussions, and assignments.
- I promise to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days.
- I promise to participate in the worship, service, and social events of my parish.
- I promise to pray daily for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in my preparation for confirmation.
- I promise to develop my personal morality based on the will of God expressed through the teachings of the church, the scriptures, and the commandments, and to celebrate frequently the sacrament of reconciliation.
- I promise to use my talents in the service of others, especially as outlined by the service requirements of the program.
- I promise to attend and participate in the confirmation retreat.

Candidate's Signature

Parent's Signature

Date

APPLICATION FOR THE RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Parents: Please type or print clearly the information below. **Correct information** is important as this information will be used for the Confirmation Certificates and Program.

Full name of person to be confirmed: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Confirmation name: _____

Home address: _____

School: _____

Home Parish: _____

Record of Baptism

Date of baptism: _____ Baptismal Name: _____

Church of baptism: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip-code: _____

Godparents: _____

Father's name: _____

Mother's maiden name: _____

Confirmation sponsor's name: _____

Sponsor's address: _____

Sponsor's home parish: _____

Sponsor's relationship to candidate: _____

Marion Catholic Community Religious Education

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Precious Blood, St. John the Baptist, St. Rose and St. Sebastian
7428 St. Rt. 119
Maria Stein, Ohio 45860
419-925-4775

Dear Candidates for Confirmation,

If your sponsor is from a parish other than Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Precious Blood, St. John the Baptist, St. Rose, St. Sebastian, it is asked that your **sponsor's parish** complete the information below and return the bottom portion of this letter to Marion Catholic Community Parish Office at least six (6) weeks before the date of Confirmation.

Remember the following requirements for Sponsor selection:

- ❖ Must be a practicing Catholic who has received all three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.
- ❖ Must be at least 16 years old
- ❖ Parents may not be sponsors for their own children.

Sincerely,

Marion Catholic Community
Associates of religious Education

SPONSOR ENDORSEMENT FORM

Date: _____

Candidate's Name: _____

Sponsors Name: _____

This certifies that _____ is an active
(Sponsors Name)

member of _____ Parish and receives
my endorsement to be a Confirmation sponsor.

Please affix the parish seal

Pastor

Please return to: Marion Catholic Community
7428 St. Rt. 119
Maria Stein, Ohio 45860

SPONSOR INTERACTION FORM

CONFIRMAND'S NAME: _____

SPONSOR'S NAME: _____

Please refer to the "CHOOSING A CONFIRMATION SPONSOR" page for the Church's regulations regarding choosing your Confirmation sponsor. It is important that you and your sponsor develop a good relationship and interact with each other during this time of preparation. Suggestions: Go to church together, go out to eat, go to a sporting event, have your sponsor help you with a service project, call your sponsor, have a personal conversation, etc. Pick an activity, and answer the following questions.

What was religion class like when you were growing up?

How did you grow in your faith during that time?

What does your faith mean to you today?

How would you encourage me to grow in my faith?

How can this person guide you and be a role model for you in your spiritual journey of life?

SERVICE PROJECT TALLY

PARISH

PROJECT

HOURS

COMMUNITY

PROJECT

HOURS

WORLD

PROJECT

HOURS

My Act of Love
(Candidate Service Project)

Candidate's Name: _____

Date of Service: _____

Type of Service: parish _____ community _____ world _____

Signature of Adult Activity Leader: _____

Describe the service project you participated in.

Why did you choose this project?

What did you spiritually learn by doing this project?

Compare your project to a Bible story of Jesus, a Beatitude, a Spiritual or Corporal Work of Mercy or other teaching of the Church. How has it helped you understand your role as an adult in the Church. You may choose one of the Bible verses from the attached sheet.
