

St. Paul Church



2017-18 Confirmation Preparation Policy

Our Confirmation Program is a two year process; the first year is active participation in the parish and the second year is preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Year One:

- Regular Mass attendance. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. Receiving Jesus in the Eucharist is the most important thing you can do each week.
- Active participation in youth ministry or other parish ministries—**you must attend regularly and sign in on the attendance sheet.**
 - Youth Ministry, Altar Server, Mass Greeter/Usher, Religious Education Volunteer
- Attend one retreat during the year. This can be through parish youth ministry or school, if attending Catholic school.

Year Two:

- **Regular Mass attendance.** The Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith. Receiving Jesus in the Eucharist is the most important thing you can do each week.
- **Attendance and active participation at all Confirmation Classes.** Classes will be held twice a month on Sunday afternoons on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, beginning Sept. 24, 2017.
- **Two retreats**—one will be a class retreat in the Spring at FBYC and the other retreat will be your choice of various retreats offered throughout the year.
- **Two service immersions**—One will be done as a group, the other is a choice of a parish volunteer opportunity.
- **Read the Gospel of St. John** front beginning to end – you will encounter and experience the presence of Christ in the inspired word of God!
- **Choose a Patron Saint and write a one** page reflection on why you choose him or her for your patron.
- Make sure all paperwork is turned in—registration form (including sponsor's name) and baptism certificate.
- **Select a sponsor** and meet once a month on your own. Requirements for Sponsors: Not a parent, over 18, regular weekly Mass attendee, if married he/she is married in the Church, he/she has received Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.
- **Interviews with the pastor and youth minister** – all candidates will meet with Fr. Basil and Christian Spencer throughout the year to discuss questions they have about the faith and to learn about God's vocational plan for their lives.
- If you attend Mass and/or are registered at another parish, you are required to get a letter from your pastor, giving you permission to attend confirmation prep at St. Paul's. You must complete all the requirements for the two year process at St. Paul's.

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“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ~Acts 1:8