



CONFIRMATION LEVEL ONE 2018-2019

(Amended March 2018)

PROGRAM POLICIES

General policies for the Children's Faith Formation apply to the Confirmation Program with the addition of the following:

COHORTS: Candidates will be assigned to a group of peers, facilitated by two adult catechists, and remain as a group for the two year process.

CURRICULUM: The two year Confirmation process is based on the DVD based series, *CHOSEN*, by Ascension Press.

PREPARATION: Candidates are expected to bring their textbooks to each session. Catechists can give assignment at their discretion.

CLASSTIMES: There are eight (8) sessions for Level 1.
Unless otherwise noted, Tuesday sessions occur 6:15- 8:30 p.m.
Saturday sessions occur 9- 11:15 a.m.

ATTENDANCE: The flexibility of this program is possible with full attendance. Therefore:

- Tardiness (beyond five minutes) warrants nonparticipation.
- Early dismissal will not be allowed.
- Missed workshops must be made up.
- The Sacrament of Confirmation will be offered only if all requirements are completed.

DISMISSAL FROM SESSIONS

- In cases where this code is violated, the candidate will receive a SINGLE verbal warning by the catechist.
- Afterwards, the candidate will be escorted to the office, and the parent will be contacted to pick up their child.
- The candidate will be required to make up the workshop.

MISSED SESSIONS:

- Due to illness or unforeseen circumstances, candidates will be offered opportunities to make up missed sessions.
- After both sessions are completed for a given month, CHOSEN catechists will be asked to facilitate a makeup session. Once secured, parents will be contacted, via email, on the date and time of the makeup session.
- The director may intervene if there is an abuse of the makeup policy.
- A candidate may be allowed to begin the second year, with the understanding that all requirements for both years must be fulfilled in order to receive the sacrament.

CHOOSING A SPONSOR

- According to the Code of Canon Law (n. 874) of the Roman Catholic Church, a sponsor:
 - Has completed the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation).
 - Is Roman Catholic or Eastern Rite Catholic (in union with Rome).
 - Is at least 16 years old.
 - May not be a parent or stepparent of the child.
- It is preferred that the sponsor be the same person(s) present at the Baptism. Canon no. 893
- There is no requirement that the sponsor and candidate be of the same gender.
- There should be one sponsor per candidate.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SPONSOR

- Fully participate in SPIRIT DAY, to be determined/ January 2019
- Fully participate in the sponsor meeting and Rite of Enrollment, Fall, 2019
- Participate in the final hour of the candidate's retreat, Fall 2019 or Winter 2020
- Be present at the Confirmation Rehearsal, Spring, 2020
- If the sponsor is not available for these events, a parent must serve as a proxy.

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SPONSOR FORM

For **Level One Candidates, 2019-20**



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PLEASE PRINT

Name of Confirmation Candidate _____

Name of Sponsor _____

Email of Sponsor _____



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VERIFICATION FORM

Name of Student (Print) _____

Name of Parent /Guardian (Print) _____

This statement verifies that I understand the following policies and procedures for participating in the revised Confirmation Process of the Children's Faith Formation Ministry, 2018-2019:

- Candidates will be assigned a cohort for the two year formation process.
- Unless stipulated by the CFF staff, each cohort will consist of no more than 16 students and two adult catechists.
- Registration will be honored on a first come, first serve basis.
- Tardiness (beyond five minutes) warrants nonparticipation.
- Early dismissal will not be allowed.
- In cases of misbehavior, the candidate will receive a **SINGLE** verbal warning by the catechist. Afterwards, the candidate will be sent to the office, and required to make up the workshop.
- In case of illness or emergencies, there will be opportunities to make up missed sessions. The CFF staff sets the date and time for these make up sessions after both Tuesday and Saturday scheduled sessions are completed.
- The director will intervene if there seems to be an abuse of the make-up option.
- The Level One candidates will fully participate in eight (8) CHOSEN sessions.
- Catechists can assign additional requirements, homework, or projects.
- Sponsors and candidates will attend Session Five, January 2019, SPIRIT DAY
- Unfulfilled requirements from Level 1 must be completed in the second year.

Parent/ Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Confirmation Sessions

Level One 2018-2019

Tuesdays: 6:15- 8:30 p.m.

Saturdays: 9- 11:15 a.m.

**** Calendar Update ****

Session 1: Saturday, August 25 (*for those who attend Saturday Session **Only***)

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Session 2: Tuesday, September 25/ Saturday, September 29

Session 3: Tuesday, October 23/ Saturday, October 27

Session 4: Tuesday, November 27/ Saturday, December 1

- Sacrament of Reconciliation

Session 5: **Family Mass**, December 18 @ 6pm (both Tuesday and Saturday sessions)

Session 6: **SPIRIT DAY:** January 26: 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Including 5 pm Mass

- (Both Tuesday and Saturday sessions)
- (All Parents are asked to join us for Mass)

Session 7: Tuesday, February 19/ Saturday, February 23

- Sacrament of Reconciliation

Session 8: **Ash Wednesday**, March 6- (All Masses or Services are valid)

- (Both Tuesday and Saturday sessions)

Session 9: Tuesday, March 19/ Saturday, April 6,

Session 10: Tuesday, April 9/ Saturday, April 13

Session 11: **Family Mass**, April 23 @ 6pm (both Tuesday and Saturday sessions)

Orientation Meeting for Incoming Level 2 Parents: **To Be Determined**