

## Requirements for Confirmation

- Confirmation preparation will begin fall of 8th grade year. Students will then be confirmed fall of sophomore year.
- Students are required to have completed two years of Confirmation preparation before receiving the sacrament the fall of their sophomore year.
- Retreat: Candidates are required to attend an overnight retreat in the fall, put on by the SJV Office Of Faith Formation. Date to be determined.
- Sponsor: Candidates must find an appropriate sponsor (not a parent) who is 18 years old, has been confirmed, regularly attends Mass, and belongs to a Catholic parish. The Confirmation Sponsor Form must be turned in with packet by April 8, 2018.
- Saint name: Candidates will choose a name to use at Confirmation. Chosen names must be that of a saint recognized by the Catholic Church. Students will research this saint and write a brief summary of the Saint's life and why that saint was chosen. For Students being confirmed in 2018, The Saint Name Form must be turned in with packet by April 8, 2018
- Interview: The fall of Confirmation year, the candidate is to sign up for an interview with the Director of Faith Formation or Pastor of SJV prior to receiving the Sacrament. At this time, the students knowledge of the faith and readiness for the sacrament will be under review.
- Attendance: Student must be in regular attendance at weekly Sunday classes. If student is to miss a class, a parent must contact The Faith Formation Office. Two absences will result in a meeting with the parent, student, and Director of Faith Formation and/or Pastor.
- There will be a special Sunday class in the fall that students, along with parents and sponsors, will be required to attend.
- Students are required to have completed 20 hours of community service by the time they are to be confirmed the fall of their sophomore year. As we are in a transitional phase, the breakdown of expected service hours from now until that point are as follows:

Current sophomores- complete 10 hours by fall of 2018

Current freshman- complete 10 hours by fall of 2018

Current 8<sup>th</sup> graders – complete 20 hours by fall of 2019