Eligibility Requirements for Confirmation 2021

The Sacrament of Confirmation, one of the sacraments of Initiation, celebrates a person's wish to reaffirm her/his Baptism.

- A person's desire to live a Catholic Christian life.
- To worship with the Roman Catholic community.

Those high school youth who choose to begin the preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation are expected to have fulfilled the following requirements:

- Previous celebration of Baptism, Eucharist, and Reconciliation.
- Fundamental commitment to Christ and openness to the work of the Spirit in one's life.
- Active involvement in parish community through weekly Mass attendance.
- Active involvement in a ministry of service in the parish or community.
- Successful completion of the four high school religious education units. Catholic School Students who have completed two years at a Catholic high school.
- Attendance by potential candidates and their parent(s) at an informational meeting.

If a young person meets the requirements for eligibility, he/she should then:

- **Submit a letter** to your Pastor (Fr. Leo LeBlanc) immediately, requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation. In this letter, answer the following questions. What does Confirmation mean to you? Why do you feel you are ready to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation? How have you been actively involved in your parish? (Put some thought into the answers to each question. Make sure your letter is neatly written or typed with proper grammar and punctuation.) *Your letter must be submitted before you sign up for an interview.*
- Schedule an interview with your Pastor (Fr. Leo LeBlanc). At least one parent must accompany the potential candidate to this interview. Interviews will not be conducted unless a parent is present.
- Complete the Pre Confirmation Interview Questions and bring this to the interview.
- Choose a sponsor based on the Sponsor Role and Responsibility description. This information must be provided on the Information Form. We will need this information in order to contact your sponsor.
- Choose a Confirmation name, OR choose a Patron Saint and keeping your Baptismal name, should have relevance to you, the candidate.
- The candidate must submit an essay on the life of her/his confirmation name or patron saint. Instructions for this are on the Blue Form in your folder. Please read this carefully. It helps to clarify this choice.