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Dear Confirmation Candidates, Parents, and Sponsors,

These are very important details for our upcoming Confirmation on Tuesday, March 9th.

You may be wondering how many people will be allowed to attend the ceremony, and so are we. Right now, the limits that have been set are extremely conservative for the sake of all:

1. Attendance is limited to the confirmand, sponsor, and confirmand family.
2. No pictures will be taken with the Bishop, but Morris LeBleu with the Diocese will be taking pictures. The pictures will be forwarded to each parent.
3. Confirmations will be celebrated within the Context of a Liturgy of the Word (ie, outside of Mass).

If these parameters change—especially given the Governor’s recent proclamation allowing higher numbers in Churches—we will let you know immediately. As with all things these days, we must be ready to stay steady, or shift with the new possibilities each new day brings.

- **Place of Confirmation**---Our Confirmation will take place at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 2700 Maplewood Drive, Sulphur, LA 70663.
- **Rehearsal--Candidates and Sponsors** must be at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church by 6PM on Monday, March 8th.
- **Ceremony--Candidates and Sponsors** must be at Immaculate Conception Fellowship Hall at 6PM again on the next night Tuesday, March 9th.
- **Dress Code** for Confirmation Ceremony for **both the candidates and sponsors** is as follows:
 - Ladies-
 1. Candidates MAY wear a white dress, but this is NOT required.
 2. No bare shoulders or backs, no low cut dresses, no short skirts or dresses.
 3. No tennis shoes.
 - Gentlemen-
 4. Dress slacks, dress shirt and tie for the gentlemen.
 5. No tennis shoes.
 6. Gentlemen MAY wear a suit, but this is NOT required
 - **All CANDIDATES will WEAR RED ROBES over their attire while in church. Robes provided by our parish.**
- **The Bishop will be asking questions about faith facts before the ceremony. Candidates have been advised to be studying at home in preparation. For additional study over the next couple of weeks, please focus on the following areas:**
 - a. The Ten Commandments
 - b. The Beatitudes
 - c. Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy
 - d. Scripture references for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Penance, Holy Orders, Matrimony, and Anointing of the Sick--Learn at least one Scripture connection for each.
 - e. All of these facts have been reviewed from the Gold Book.
- Masks are required and social distancing is encouraged.
- Reminder: No gum or cell phones in the Church.

See you soon! Many Blessings to you all