Annunciation Parish Office of Religious Education 2021-2022 Confirmation Guidelines



Please see the below Confirmation guidelines and requirements for students in the process of receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. The journey is a 2-year consecutive journey, required by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and all forms must be submitted to the Religious Education office within the timeframe stated in the guidelines. Without the proper paperwork, the student may not continue the journey towards the sacrament.

- Paperwork: All paperwork for 1st Year and 2nd Year students (Baptism Certificate, 1st Holy Communion Certificate) must be submitted by October 17, 2021. Without these forms the student will not be able to continue their Confirmation journey.
- Masks: Due to COVID-19, each student must be masked and sanitize prior to entering the classroom. Each catechist and student aid will also be required to wear a mask, even if they are vaccinated.
- Participation: All students are asked to fully participate in classroom activities, prayer, and discussions. Classes begin promptly at 8:30am. Any arrival beyond 8:35am is considered a tardy. 3 tardies is considered as 1 absence.
- Classroom: Students will be asked to remain in their seat during class to avoid any cross-contamination. Catechists will remain at the front of the classroom at all times.
- Attendance: Because there are only 14 classes for the year, the attendance policy is very strict. 3 absences by a student and they will be asked to repeat the year, unless there are special circumstances or a family emergency.
- Cell Phones: Please, no usage of cell phones unless instructed by the catechist.
- Respect: There is no usage of profanity on parish grounds, no usage of mockery or hurtful language in the class-room.
- Books: Each student must bring their Bible/book to each class unless instructed otherwise by the catechist.
- Students and sponsors are asked to attend every required class for student/sponsor classes. If sponsor cannot attend, parent/guardian should attend.
- Service: Each student is asked to provide at least 20 hour of parish service for 2021-2022
 - *4 out of the 20 hours must come from Youth Ministry (Thursday Evenings)
 - *4 out of the 20 hours must come from attending 2 Youth Masses (see schedule)
- Attire Proper attire for both classroom and liturgy (mass) must be upheld. Please no low cut, cropped, or revealing tops, short-shorts, inappropriate graphic designed shirts, mid-drifts, beanies, hats, spaghetti straps, ripped jeans, etc. in the classroom.
- Students may not remain on church grounds after class unless they are attending mass.



CONFIRMATION 1 STUDENTS:

• Each student is required to participate in a 1-day retreat scheduled for November 6, 2021 from 9:00am to 6:00pm at Annunciation. This includes the special mass of Rite of Welcome. If the student cannot attend, they must find a retreat at another parish to attend.

CONFIRMATION 2 STUDENTS:

- Students and sponsors are required to participate in the student/sponsor retreat on Saturday, January 29, 2022 at St. Joseph Salesian from 9:00am to 6:00pm. This includes the mass of Rite of Covenant.
- Each 2nd year student must attend the 3-day Confirmation retreat to be held on March 25, 26, 27, 2022. If the student is unable to attend this retreat, they <u>must</u> attend a retreat at another parish
- In order to be confirmed, each student must choose a saint name and create a saint shield. Saint shields are due no later than noontime on Sunday, October 31, 2021. If the saint shield is not turned in, the student cannot continue the journey towards Confirmation. Please see template.
- Confirmation Sacramental Application and Sponsor Application must be turned in no later than October 31, 2021.

Print Student Name:	Date:
Student Signature:	
Parent Signature:	

