

HIGH SCHOOL YEAR II PROGRAM DETAILS – FALL MEETING

This fall, 33 of our HS Year II students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. They made an inspired decision and commitment to live their Catholic faith through worship, service and faith formation within the Catholic Church. We are proud of these students and feel blessed to have been a part of this special time in their lives. Our hope and prayer is that we can assist your family on this wonderful journey towards the Sacrament of Confirmation as well.

- Students are expected to attend all the **classes** on the schedule.
- No make-up classes are offered. (We understand emergencies and illness, but if more than 2 classes are missed, students will need to wait until next year.)
- Make-up assignments are required for **any** missed class to ensure everyone is getting all of the information necessary.
- Regular, weekly Mass attendance and service to the parish community are expected for anyone pursuing the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- Baptism certificates are needed for students not baptized at St. Denis. You will be notified if we don't have an official, signed & stamped copy.
- Communication will be handled through e-mails and responses are expected.

Someone needs to respond!

- Student and at least one parent need to sign up for and attend **one** of the **Discernment Orientations** on the schedule.
- Confirmation Packets will be given at the Discernment Orientation for students to begin working on. Some parent papers included as well.
 - Confirmation Registration form needs to be completed and full payment is due by the last Registration date in March or April.
 - Student and Parent need to sign Confirmation Prep Agreement
 - It is the student's responsibility to complete all requirements of the program in order to schedule their Discernment interview.
- **Discernment interviews** will not be scheduled until the completed packets are turned in. (Generally Monday or Tuesday evenings, some Sundays.) ***Our Discernment Team members make a special trip to the rectory just for these interviews and some are coming from other towns.*** There is plenty of time to let us know in advance if you can't make it. Just forgetting and not showing is not fair to those who are giving their time for you. Of course we do understand emergencies.
- An **Immediate Confirmation Prep** class (I.C.P.) is required once readiness for the Sacrament has been determined. (Remember, readiness is determined by Mass & Class attendance, completion of paperwork requirements, and service to your parish community. Are you practicing and living your faith so you can take the next step as an adult in the church and join us in making disciples?) If so, you will be ready to sign up for and attend one of the two ICP dates on the schedule.
- Our regional parish is St. Joseph's in Auburn and we combine our Confirmation Mass with them.
- Anyone pursuing the Sacrament of Confirmation must attend a **retreat**. Ours is scheduled in the fall at the Betania II Marion Center in Medway.
- **Confirmation** is celebrated in the fall at St. Joseph's in Auburn or at St. Paul's Cathedral in Worcester. (could be on a weeknight or Sunday afternoon) Our Diocese has only one Bishop and over 100 Parishes.

Please understand that limited space is available at these orientations and prep classes. Availability will be on a first come, first serve basis. Discernment interviews are set in advance with the Discernment Team. You will be given the next available time slot once your requirements have been met. Confirmation is a commitment to your faith.