

**ST. PAUL HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM
REGISTRATION FORM – 2020/2021
(Candidates must be in 10th grade or higher to be confirmed)**

- Reg Form
- Med Form
- Conf Form
- Sponsor Form
- Svc Rec Form
- Dress Code
- Reg Fee
- Bapt. Cert.

Student's Name _____

Parent's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Student's Cell # _____ School _____ **Grade** _____

Parent's email _____ Parent's cell # _____
(must provide an email address – you are responsible for checking it weekly)

Student's date of birth _____ Home Parish _____

Fee: \$50 per candidate	Amount Paid:
Payable at time of registration	Cash _____
	Check _____

(The inability to pay the fee will not prevent any child from participating in our Program.)

- I would like to give an additional donation to assist another family in the religious education of their children. Amount donated: _____

The Confirmation classes are being offered on Sunday nights from 7:15-8:30 p.m. and will be held on Zoom to begin with, then at the St. Paul's School.

CONFIRMATION classes will prepare candidates for full initiation into the Church and inspire them to continue to grow in faith within the Catholic Church. **CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 13TH. SEPTEMBER 20th IS THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR CONFIRMATION CLASSES. SEE REQUIREMENTS AND MANDATORY DATES AND FUNCTIONS.**

St. Paul Catholic Church is dedicated to preventing the transmission of COVID-19. We are following CDC guidelines for sanitation, social distancing and face coverings. Even with these precautions, infections are still possible and may result in serious illness or even death. If you have concerns about your child's safety or your child or someone in your household is in a vulnerable population, you may opt to have your child participate in religious education online. If you have any questions about whether your child or a family member is a vulnerable population, please visit the CDC website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/other-at-risk-populations.html>.

Completed registration forms may be mailed to: St. Paul Catholic Church
Attn: Michelle Weekley
Parish Offices
1201 Donaldson Ave. at St. Cloud
San Antonio, Texas, 78228

Emailed to: mweekley@saintpaulsa.org or dropped off at the Community Center – Parish Offices during office hours – see bulletin for office hours.

Please turn in all your paperwork before the first night of classes.

**ST. PAUL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
MEDICAL CONSENT AND PERMISSION TO TREAT**

SCHOOL YEAR 2020/2021

My child is in the care of St. Paul's Religious Education Program for the purpose of this Religious Education activity.

I am giving medical permission and consent to treat.

To the best of my knowledge, my daughter/son, _____, is in good health, and I assume all responsibility for the health of my child.

In the event of an emergency, I give permission to transport my child to a hospital for emergency treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital or doctor.

Parent/Guardian's
Name _____

Home
Address _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

If you are unable to reach me, please contact:

Name _____

Relationship to me or my child

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Please include a photocopy of your insurance card, front and back.

Insurance Carrier _____ Policy Number _____

If you do not have any insurance, please put "N/A"

My child is taking the following medication(s):

I hereby grant permission for non-prescription medication (such as cough drops, cough syrup, Tylenol, etc.) to be given to my child if necessary.

I understand that aspirin will not be given to my child without my express permission. I grant such permission
____yes ____no.

My child is allergic to the following: _____.

My child's immunizations are current and up-to-date ____yes ____no.

My child has the following limitations: _____.

Please explain: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

CONFIRMATION FORM

IMPORTANT: You must turn in to the Religious Education Office a copy of your **BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE** and this **FORM** before you receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you were baptized at St. Paul, we do not need a copy of the certificate. Just complete this form.

Please complete the following with information as shown on your Baptismal Certificate. Pay special attention to questions marked with an asterisk (*).

*CANDIDATE'S NAME: _____

CONFIRMATION NAME: _____

*DATE OF BIRTH: _____ AGE: _____

*CITY OF BIRTH: _____ *STATE: _____

*DATE OF BAPTISM: _____

*CHURCH OF BAPTISM: _____

*STREET ADDRESS: _____

*CITY: _____ *STATE: _____ *ZIP: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ PARENT'S WORK PHONE: _____

*FATHER'S FULL NAME: _____

*MOTHER'S FIRST AND **MAIDEN** NAME: _____

*SPONSOR'S NAME _____

Sponsor CANNOT be a parent!

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY.

For Office Use

____ Certificate Prepared

____ Recorded in Confirmation Book

____ Church of Baptism Notified

**DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS
ST PAUL PARISH CONFIRMATION CEREMONIES**

*All of the ceremonies during the preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation require appropriate dress. These are sacred and special times for the candidates as well as for their families. The attention for the evenings should be on the ceremonies. Candidates' clothing should **not** call attention from the ceremonies for those evenings. With this objective in mind, the following dress code will be adhered to for **all** Confirmation ceremonies (to include the Evening of Entrustment), this also includes the dress for the Sponsors. If this dress code is not adhered to, the candidate may not be able to attend the ceremony for that evening.*

BOYS

SUIT

SPORTS JACKET/DRESS SLACKS

CASUAL SLACKS/DRESS SHIRT

DRESS SHOES

NO T-SHIRTS

NO JEANS

NO ATHLETIC SHOES OR FLIP FLOPS

GIRLS

DRESS *

SKIRT/BLOUSE *

PANTSUIT

DRESS SHOES

NO T-SHIRTS

NO JEANS

NO LEGGINGS

NO ATHLETIC SHOES OR FLIP FLOPS

*** PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:**

A) SKIRTS ARE TO BE NO SHORTER THAN 2 INCHES ABOVE THE KNEE

B) NO LOW CUT OR STRAPLESS DRESSES OR BLOUSES (INCLUDING SPAGHETTI STRAPS) – No cleavage should be visible and shoulders should not show!

DRESS CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Candidates are allowed to wear jeans and t-shirts to class, but no short/shorts, spaghetti straps, halter tops, strapless tops, nor short skirts. Please show respect for yourselves and your fellow students.

Thank you for your cooperation with this Dress Code. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Michelle Weekley at 733-7152, ext. 128..

I have read and understand the above Dress Code Requirements and agree to abide by them for all Confirmation classes and events.

Candidate signature

Parent Signature

**SERVICE RECORD FOR ST. PAUL
CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

Student Name _____
Phone number _____
Teacher _____

(Total number of hours required 20 – 10 must be with St. Paul, 10 may be with another organization)

ST. PAUL HOURS (No Concessions or scoring!!!!)

<u>TYPE OF SERVICE</u>	<u>SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u># OF HOURS</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS (Must be approved by Michelle Weekley BEFORE you do your hours with another organization) (must provide documentation for hours worked)

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Student Signature

Parent Signature

ST PAUL HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

The Confirmation Program at St. Paul is a **one-year program for 10th graders and higher**, who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Students must be baptized Catholics, have made their First Eucharist, and be interested in learning more about their Catholic Christian tradition, and continuing their faith journey as an adult in the Catholic Church.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Attend preparation classes (even if online – they must participate, and have their cameras on) on Sunday evenings from 7:15 P.M. – 8:30 P.M. Attendance will be a factor for consideration for Confirmation. **A candidate cannot miss any more than 3 classes** without special permission, if your child misses a class for any reason, please call Michelle Weekley at 733-7152, ext. 128 to let her know why. In the event of a missed class, parents need to 1) contact the catechist for information regarding the missed lesson, 2) go over the lesson with the candidate, 3) hand in any required work to the catechist at the next class meeting. If the student misses more than the 3 classes, there may need to be a meeting to determine whether that student will need to wait until the next year to be confirmed. Students in sacramental preparation are expected to have comprehension of their faith commitment and lessons before reception of the sacrament. Candidates and their parents need to take this preparation time seriously, if a commitment cannot be made, then it may be better to wait until another time.
2. Choose a sponsor. (See Parent/Sponsor Involvement below).
3. Candidates may choose a special saint's name for Confirmation or retain his/her baptismal name. Throughout the scriptures, names have had great importance. Both Jews and early Christians felt that a person's name carries a special meaning and influences an individual's life. It is for this reason that we take special names at Baptism and Confirmation. The Confirmation name is only 1 name, unless the chosen saint's name requires 2 or 3 names, as in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. **Each student will be required to write a one page report on a Saint of their choice, or on the Saint that their name comes from.**
4. Candidates are required to complete a **Confirmation Form** and provide a **copy of their original baptism certificate** before they can be confirmed. This information is kept as part of the permanent records at St. Paul Parish and is also forwarded to the church of baptism to be kept as part of their records. **THESE FORMS NEED TO BE TURNED IN BY FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH.**
5. Candidates need to receive the sacrament of Penance prior to receiving the sacrament of Confirmation.

MANDATORY DATES AND FUNCTIONS

There are five functions that are considered mandatory for the parish confirmation program. If you have a problem with any of the dates or times listed below, please contact the Michelle Weekley as soon as possible at 210-733-7152, ext 128.

1. **PARENT AND CANDIDATE MEETING ON Sunday, September 20th at 7:15 P.M.**, probably in a Zoom meeting or at the St. Paul's School Cafeteria. **It is important for the Parent and Candidate to be at this meeting.**
2. **Day of Reflection for Candidates and their sponsors – date to be determined.** More information to follow. This is a day for just the candidates and their sponsors.
2. **The Evening of Entrustment** on Sunday, **January 24th at 7:00 P.M.** in the church, following the 5:30 P.M. mass. **It is necessary that a sponsor accompanies the candidate.** In the event that the sponsor is not available, then a parent or another confirmed adult may stand in place of the sponsor. Each candidate will be presented by his/her sponsor/parent and the candidate will sign his/her name in the Inscription Book as a sign of willingness to continue the Confirmation process.
3. **Confirmation Winter Retreat.** All Confirmation Candidates are required to attend the Confirmation Winter Retreat, **February 26 – 28, 2021.** (Mark your calendars now!) It may be a virtual retreat, but we will let you know. **Cost of the retreat will be \$120.00 if it is actually done at the retreat center.** More information will be provided later in the year.

4. **Confirmation practice.** Candidates and sponsors need to attend. DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Parent/Sponsor Involvement

1. A sponsor should be a person whom the candidate feels he/she can call on for spiritual guidance. This person needs to be seen as a friend and mentor in the faith, that they can talk to frequently. The sponsor may be one of the Godparents, a close relative, or any person who he/she feels they can call on to help them deepen their Catholic Faith **Sponsors must be a confirmed Catholic.** **PARENTS CANNOT BE SPONSORS (AS PER CANON LAW).** **Students will be required to write a one page paper on why they chose the person they did for their sponsor.**
2. Parents are asked to keep in mind that their candidate will be looking to them first to be an influence in their attitude toward Christian living, thus parent's should **attend mass regularly (Every Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation)** and participate in the Eucharist. Parents should also be discussing with their candidates what they are learning in their classes. If parents show an interest in their candidate's faith life, they will have an interest.

Confirmation Liturgy

1. The liturgy will be the highlight of the Confirmation program. Every effort will be made to make this liturgy special. As soon as we have a definite date, you will be notified. Candidate and sponsors will meet one hour before the service begins, place TBD. Again, DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Community Involvement

In preparation to receive the sacrament, candidates are required to complete **20 hours of Christian service projects** before they are confirmed. **10 hours must be with St. Paul** and 10 may be with another approved organization. This service can be anything that is of benefit to another person, the community, or their parish (Corporal Works of Mercy) – Concessions and scoring games **DO NOT** count as service hours. Youth Ministry will offer several service projects throughout the year and you will receive an email each time opportunities are available here at St. Paul. It is the candidate's and the parent's responsibility to keep track of these and sign up and attend them. Please use the enclosed Service Record to record your hours and **turn in by April 25th, 2021.**

Food, Candy, Gum

Students are asked NOT to chew gum, bring candy, food or drinks into their classrooms.

Assignments, Texts, and Materials

Students are responsible for completing all assignments given to them. The classes are video based and rely on the videos and discussions in class. Students do need to have a Catholic Bible (NAB – New American Bible or NSRV Catholic Edition) that must be brought to EVERY class, if they do not have one, they need to let Michelle Weekley know, and she will try to help obtain one for them, at a cost of \$5.00.

We will email parents and about upcoming events. We encourage you to check your email each week. Check your junk mail/spam to make sure the email did not go there. You can also check either the bulletin or the website (www.saintpaulsa.org) weekly.

Calendar

Confirmation classes are scheduled regularly September through April. The calendar contains the official schedule of classes. Parents, candidates and sponsors should look at this calendar and put these dates in their calendars, so that there is no confusion of when classes or events are. If there are any revisions to the calendar, they will be published on the website, in the parish bulletin, and through emails.

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM CALENDAR 2020/21

<u>Sept. 13</u>	<u>FIRST NIGHT OF CLASSES – ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Sept. 20</u>	<u>PARENT/CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE MEETING IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA (or on zoom) All other Classes meet in classroom (or on zoom)</u>
<u>Sept. 27</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Oct. 4</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Oct. 11</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Oct. 18</u>	<u>NO CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Oct. 25</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Nov. 1</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Nov. 8</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Nov. 15</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Nov. 22</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY)</u>
<u>Nov. 29</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY)</u>
<u>Dec. 6</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Dec. 13</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Dec. 20</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY)</u>
<u>Dec. 27</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (NEW YEARS)</u>
<u>Jan. 3</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Jan 10</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Jan. 17</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (MLK WEEKEND)</u>
<u>Jan. 24</u>	<u>NO CLASSES – EVENING OF ENTRUSTMENT FOR ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES AND SPONSORS IN THE CHURCH 7:15 PM, WITH RECEPTION TO FOLLOW IN THE CAFETERIA (if possible)</u>
<u>Jan 31</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Feb. 7</u>	<u>NO CLASSES DUE TO SUPER BOWL</u>
<u>Feb. 14</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Feb 21</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Feb 26-28</u>	<u>NO CLASSES IN SESSION – Winter/Confirmation Retreat – Mandatory for All Confirmation Candidates</u>
<u>Mar. 7</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (SPRING BREAK)</u>
<u>Mar. 14</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (SPRING BREAK)</u>
<u>Mar. 21</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>Mar. 28</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>April. 4</u>	<u>NO CLASSES (EASTER)</u>
<u>April 11</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION</u>
<u>April 18</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION – PARENT CONFIRMATION MEETING IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA 7:15 PM</u>
<u>April 25</u>	<u>ALL CLASSES IN SESSION – QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION FOR THE CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES IN THE CAFETERIA AT 7:15 PM</u>

CONFIRMATION DATES TO BE DETERMINED BY THE ARCHDIOCESE.

PROVISIONS FOR INFORMED CONSENT FOR MINOR PARTICIPATION VIA TELECOMMUTING (COVID-19)

This Informed Consent for minor participation via telecommuting contains important provisions for using the phone or the internet during the period of the current COVID-19 pandemic. Please read this carefully, and let your religious education directors/coordinators or youth ministers know if you have any questions.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct enacted by the Archdiocese of San Antonio, all ministry with minors via telecommuting will occur with two qualified adults in the sessions at all times.

For purposes herein, telecommuting refers to participating in religious education classes, youth groups, or other meetings remotely using telecommunications technologies, such as video conferencing or telephone.

Risks to confidentiality. Because telecommuting takes place outside of the normal gathering places on parish grounds, there is potential for other people to access these conversations or stored data could be accessed by unauthorized people or companies.

You are solely responsible for obtaining any necessary equipment, accessories, or software for your child to participate in telecommuting, as well as for ensuring the security of such equipment, accessories or software for your child’s participation.

Recording. The telecommuting sessions shall be recorded by the religious education coordinators/youth ministers solely for auditing purposes and such recordings may not be published in any form, including any social media forums.

Parent/Legal Guardian Informed Consent

This agreement is intended as a supplement to the registration forms for in-person ministry with minors and does not amend any of the terms of that agreement.

Your signature below indicates agreement with its terms and conditions.

I agree to allow my child, _____, to participate in religious education/youth group participation via telecommuting with religious education/ youth group qualified adults at St. Paul Catholic Church, during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date