



## HOLY FAMILY CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

### Year 1 Confirmation Handbook 2020-2021

Thank you for choosing Holy Family's Confirmation program for your teen! We welcome you and look forward to serving you this upcoming year. This is truly a special time of spiritual formation for your teen; one that we hope will strengthen your entire family. During this journey together we depend on your help and we ask that you remain faithful in these areas:

- Submit all registration forms and certificates no later than September 13th
- Mandatory 15 hours of Christian service at Holy Family
- Pay confirmation fee no later than September 13th
- Attend Holy Days of Obligation
- Attend 5:30PM Life Teen Masses on Meeting Days
- Help your teen pick a qualified sponsor
- Support/tithe to the Church

In addition, we encourage you to share your Stewardship, which is composed of three areas: time (service), treasure (financial responsibilities), and talent (using your abilities to make the group better). Let's make this a team effort and help raise great citizens with a strong moral compass centered on God.

#### **Update of Our Program in Regards to COVID-19**

The health and safety of our community is our greatest priority at Holy Family. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, all sessions will be online-based until further notice. Any in-person meetings will follow the CDC Government guidelines as mandated by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

We will need your utmost cooperation as our re-opening process will take place in various stages. Please be sure to stay updated via REMIND for the latest information.



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## **Holy Family's Confirmation Program**

Registration is now open! Our program spans 2 academic years, as mandated by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. We gather approximately twice a month, with sessions taking place from 6:30-8:30pm in the Grade School Auditorium.

In these sessions we gather as a large group. We open in prayer and enjoy dinner together. Immediately following we start our session, which begins with an icebreaker or fun activity. Speaker(s) and our core team then present the teaching, followed by our Confirmation candidates breaking into small groups for discussions and activities. We then re-gather and conclude with announcements and closing prayer. Our sessions cover various topics approved and mandated by our Los Angeles Archdiocese.

On a few evenings, we will require either the Confirmation sponsor or parent to attend the session. Please see the official schedule for dates. **Schedules will be provided at the mandatory parent meeting on September 13, 2020 and can be found on our page on the official website at [www.hfglendale.org/oneight-confirmation](http://www.hfglendale.org/oneight-confirmation).**

### **Fees**

All fees are due on September 13th. All full payments will be made online through our virtual forms. Please keep in mind that once payment has been received, all fees are nonrefundable. The final date to submit the form and payment will be before our first session on September 27, 2020.

#### *Year 1 Fees*

Registration Fee	\$225.00
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Total	\$225.00

#### *Next Year Fees*

Registration Fee	\$200.00
3 Day Weekend Retreat	\$175.00
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Total	\$375.00



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## **Retreat and Conferences**

Retreats and conferences are such an important part of spiritual growth and development. This is why we at Holy Family offer Year 1 candidates an optional fall retreat and summer conference each year. We invite all high school students (that includes your teen and their friends) to join us. Due to Covid-19 our retreat site is still TBA. Please stay tuned until further notice for more details.

Attendance for our fall retreat is mandatory for all Year 2 candidates every year.

## **Mandatory Christian Service Hours**

Every candidate **is required to complete fifteen (15) hours of Christian service per year.** We will have some opportunities for service. You can visit our parish website or check for updates by our youth minister for opportunities throughout the year. For more information, please contact the Life Teen or Confirmation office.

## **Copy of Certificates**

A copy of your teen's Baptism and First Holy Communion certificates are required to be submitted along with your registration forms. If you do not have a copy on hand please contact the parish of Baptism and/or First Holy Communion to get a copy. This also applies if your teen has received these sacraments at Holy Family, as well. If your teen has not made their First Holy Communion, please inform the Confirmation Coordinator, Brandon Kawachi so that your teen can receive preparation.

## **Sponsor Selection**

A sponsor should be an active, confirmed and practicing member of the Catholic Church. He/She should have a good relationship with God and be a positive role model. A sponsor should also be willing to listen to your teen, help them answer questions, and be willing to share their faith and example with them. A sponsor may not be the teen's parent but may be a sibling or relative as long as they are at least 16 years of age and a fully initiated Catholic in good standing with the Church.

Sponsors will be required to attend one session with their Candidate per year. See schedule for the exact date.



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### Remind

Remind is an app/website where you can receive updates from our ministry for various occasions. We have two separate codes that teens and parents are required to sign up with before the deadline date for registration, September 13, 2020. Please only sign up to the code that applies to you. **Please note that this is for teens and parents only.**



*For Year 1 Parents: @hflt1p*

*For Year 1 Candidates: @hflt1c*

### Absences

Candidates are required to attend all sessions listed on the schedule. Two (2) or more absences that are not made up will affect a candidate's ability to move forwards in the program and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. **Excessive absences will be reason for a candidate to return for an extra year of formation.**

### Make Up

If your teen has an absence and needs to make up the session, our weekly bible studies are available every Wednesday 6:30PM-8:00PM unless it is a holiday or cancelled by the youth minister. For other options to make up any sessions, please contact Brandon Kawachi.



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## **Submission**

We ask that all submissions be made electronically. All paperwork and payments are required to be made virtually on our website at [www.hfglendale.org/oneight-confirmation](http://www.hfglendale.org/oneight-confirmation) by the deadline date, September 13, 2020. If you are unable to submit by this date, please contact Brandon Kawachi beforehand to set a deadline.

If you need any assistance, please contact the Coordinator of Confirmation or the Administrative Assistant:

**Brandon Kawachi | Maddie Santos**

**[bkawachi@hfglendale.org](mailto:bkawachi@hfglendale.org) | [msantos@hfglendale.org](mailto:msantos@hfglendale.org)**

Please only use this email for questions or inquiries regarding the Confirmation program and refrain from using these emails on any mass forwarding.

**Life Teen House Address:**

317 E. Chestnut Ave,  
Glendale, CA 91205

**Direct Phone Number:**

818-247-2222 ext 214 or 215

**Office Hours:**

Mon-Thurs 1:00PM-5:00PM

**Parish Office/Mailing Address:**

209 E. Lomita Ave,  
Glendale, CA 91205