



LNMV Religious Education Program

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Dear Parents and Students,

Preparation of the Sacrament of Confirmation is a very important step in strengthening the candidates in the life of the Church, as well as in our Church community. Through the parish *Confirmation Sacramental Preparation Program*, your student will find a wealth of both spiritual and educational opportunities to grow and deepen their relationship with Jesus and His Church as they prepare for this Sacrament. While it is part of the vocation of the adult members of the Church to model lives of faith, it is ultimately the parents who are the primary teachers and models of faith for their children.

All registrations for the confirmation preparation classes are online along with the parent consent form that needs to be completed for each of the retreats. Each year we host a parent/student meeting for those in our Confirmation program. This meeting is a **mandatory meeting** that will explain the different responsibilities of the students in each year of their preparation for Confirmation. This meeting is scheduled to take place on **Wednesday, September 11th at 7:30pm** in the Gym at Holy Cross School. Our hopes are that this will be easier for you since the night is already reserved for Religious Education. Prior to this time we have a parent meeting for First Communion.

Confirmation 1 (first year of confirmation classes) Students and Parents:

Students in Confirmation 1 class will be **required** to attend the Archdiocesan Youth Day on **Saturday, November 16, 2019**. We will be providing bus transportation to the event, leaving the Holy Cross School parking lot at approximately 11:30-45am. Students should arrive at the Holy Cross School, entering through the Gym Doors (please drop off students in the bus circle and to enter the gym at 11:00am). We will return to Holy Cross from St Thomas Academy in Mendota Heights at approximately 10:00pm. Please complete the parent consent form that is required by the Archdiocese for this event provided for you with online registration or sent to you in email, this will reserve a seat on the bus. Completed forms can be brought Sept. 11 or no later than October 1st.

Year II (grade 10) Confirmation Students and Parents: Confirmation Date: TBA - Diocese has not released dates of confirmation at this point

Confirmation sponsors are encouraged to attend the meeting on Sept. 11th, please invite them. This will help them understand and encourage their Confirmation candidate on their journey of preparation during this year of formation leading up to their Confirmation.

The **mandatory** Confirmation Quest retreat for students in Confirmation 2 (grade 10) will be held on November 22nd and 23rd, 2019 at the Civic Center at Immaculate Conception in Lonsdale. Please mark your calendars for this retreat and let any employers\coaches, etc. know in advance that this date is a required attendance. Please note this is NOT an overnight retreat, the students will be attending Friday night and returning on Saturday morning.

Archdiocesan Youth Day is optional for all our Confirmation 2 (10th grade) students (required for 9th grade students) on Sat. November 16th, 2019. Students must be at Holy Cross at 11:00am with the bus leaving at approx. 11:30-45am. Parental Consent form is online with your class registration, register early but no later than October 1st. Year 2 Students who attend can use this day to fulfill both faith event requirements for the year.

AYD for students in grades 11 and 12: Register by completing the Parental Consent form, you can obtain this form by printing from the LNMV RE website under the confirmation tab or by calling Mrs. Chlan. There is a fee of \$35.00 to be sent with the form. Please put in an envelope marked "AYD 2019" and turn into Mrs. Chlan before October 1st. Get your consent forms in early, we want to make sure we have enough room on the bus for all!

Parents please consider being a chaperone, parents who have attending in the past have gone multiple times because it is a wonderful day for all, please contact me for more information! We look forward to working with you to prepare your student to receive the *indelible spiritual mark*, the "character," which is the sign that Jesus Christ has marked a Christian with the seal of his Spirit. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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