

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Eighth Grade Confirmation Candidate Schedule 2019-2020

Sunday, September 22, 2019 4:00 - 5:30 PM

Candidates and parents meet at St. Joseph Church for a tri-parish meeting

Sunday, November 10, 2019 9:30 AM meeting followed by Rite of Enrollment for Candidates during the 11:00 AM Mass

Friday, February 14 - Sunday, February 16

Confirmation Retreat for <u>candidates</u> at Damascus Catholic Mission Campus
**more information to come at September 22nd parent meeting

(www.damascuscampus.com)

Sunday, February 23, 2020 5:30 - 7:00 PM

Confirmation <u>candidates</u> and <u>sponsors</u> meeting in Sacred Heart Church

Saturday, March 14, 2020 10:00 AM

Confirmation at Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo

** Arrive no later than 9:30 AM

Sunday, March 15, 2020 11:00 AM Mass

Confirmandi Recognition at Sacred Heart Parish

**Certificate presentation during Mass and reception to follow

Sacred Heart Confirmation Preparation Requirements for 8th Grade:

- We cannot live the Catholic Christian life without serving one another. Our service is to be done in the name of Jesus Christ, and our reward is that He knows and is pleased with our work. Your service as a Confirmation Candidate, and adult in the Church, must be done in this spirit. Beginning last year, you were asked to complete at least 6 service projects over these two years of preparation. Each one should be identified by a different Corporal or Spiritual Works of Mercy. There is a guide sheet to be completed respectfully and prayerfully for each service you choose.
- Choose a Confirmation name. You will be asked to prayerfully choose a saint that you have a special connection with and complete a report designated by your religion teacher. These will be a part of your religion/PSR class.
- Complete the *Faith to Faith* magazine sessions, with your sponsor, by the spring of your 8th grade year. Please return the signed form once it is completed. The magazine and form were given to you at the candidate/sponsor meeting in February of your 7th grade year.
- The candidate is to write a letter of intent to Fr. Chris Kardzis. In this letter, you will explain why you desire to be confirmed, how you have prepared, and what this journey has meant to you. There is not a right or wrong answer to this letter; it should be from your heart and reflect your own personal feelings about Confirmation. It will need to be turned in before or at the 8th grade Candidate/ Sponsor meeting on February 23, 2020.
- The sponsor is to write a letter to Fr. Chris Kardzis recommending the candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This letter should explain what the candidate has done to prepare (discussions, works of mercy, attended meetings/religion classes) and state that you feel he/she is ready for reception of this sacrament. It will need to be turned in before or at the Candidate/ Sponsor meeting on Sunday, February 23, 2020.

Both 7th and 8th Grade Years:

- The celebration of the Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic faith. Weekly Mass attendance is expected.
- Attend religion class regularly: either through PSR classes on Sunday mornings or a Catholic school. There is to be no more than 5 missed PSR classes. If you are missing classes due to sports/extracurricular activities, make-up work is available. It is YOUR responsibility to contact your teacher. If your work is made up, that missed class does not count towards your total.
- Candidates must attend the designated sessions/retreats for both 7th and 8th grade preparation. These sessions are mandatory and an excused absence is required.

If you have questions, please contact: Shannon Stull (sstull@sacredheart-fremont.org) or Elaine Fisher (efisher@sacredheart-fremont.org)