

- ◆ MEDICAL RELEASE AND WAIVER
- ◆ SPONSOR CERTIFICATE

Required Events:

- ◆ THEOLOGY OF THE BODY PARENT INFORMATION SESSION (**non-school families**)
 - ◆ Thursday, October 5th, 2017, 7:00pm
- ◆ THEOLOGY OF THE BODY CONFERENCE (**non-school**)
 - ◆ Friday, Nov. 10th & Saturday, Nov. 11th
- ◆ STUMP THE PRIEST NIGHT — Sunday, January 21, 2018, 6:00 PM
- ◆ THEOLOGY OF THE BODY PARENT INFORMATION SESSION (**school families**)
 - ◆ Thursday, February 1, 2018, 7:00 PM
- ◆ CONFIRMATION RETREAT
 - ◆ Saturday, March 17 2018, 10:00am – 5:30pm
- ◆ INTERVIEW WITH FR. KEVIN/FR. DAN — To be scheduled during the Summer of 2018
- ◆ CANDIDATE AND SPONSOR DAY— TBD, in Fall 2018
- ◆ CONFIRMATION LITURGY—TBD, in Fall 2018

Curriculum Overview

Spiritual Preparation

Parents: What are your hopes for your child's Confirmation, especially taking into account your own experience of Confirmation? How will you support your child throughout this process?

Candidates: What are concrete ways you can prepare spiritually for Confirmation that you would actually commit to? How can your parents, your sponsor, and your Saint support you?

See some suggested opportunities for spiritual growth below:

- ◆ The daily Gospel with a reflection and the Saint of the day could be emailed straight to your inbox every weekday morning if you sign up at faith.nd.edu.
- ◆ Pope Francis' first apostolic exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, provides excellent spiritual reading that speaks to the heart of the mission of a Confirmed Catholic; it can be found at www.vatican.va or in print.
- ◆ Pope Francis tweets a daily message; you could follow him @Pontifex and reflect on his words.
- ◆ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament along with Reconciliation is offered at St. Joe every Saturday morning 8:30-9:30 am.
- ◆ Morning Prayer is offered every weekday at 6:45 am in the very back of the Church behind the tabernacle, followed by daily Mass at 7:00 am.
- ◆ The St. Joe Prayer Chain prays specifically for the intentions of members of our parish community; you could join their effort by emailing prayer@stjoeparish.com.
- ◆ The St. Vincent de Paul Society, Hope Ministries, Center for the Homeless, Our Lady of the Road, the Women's Care Center, and other local charitable organizations could use your help in serving others in our community in need.

Your parents, sponsor, and Saint are here for you, now as you prepare and as you go on to live the Confirmed life; seek out their wisdom and encouragement.

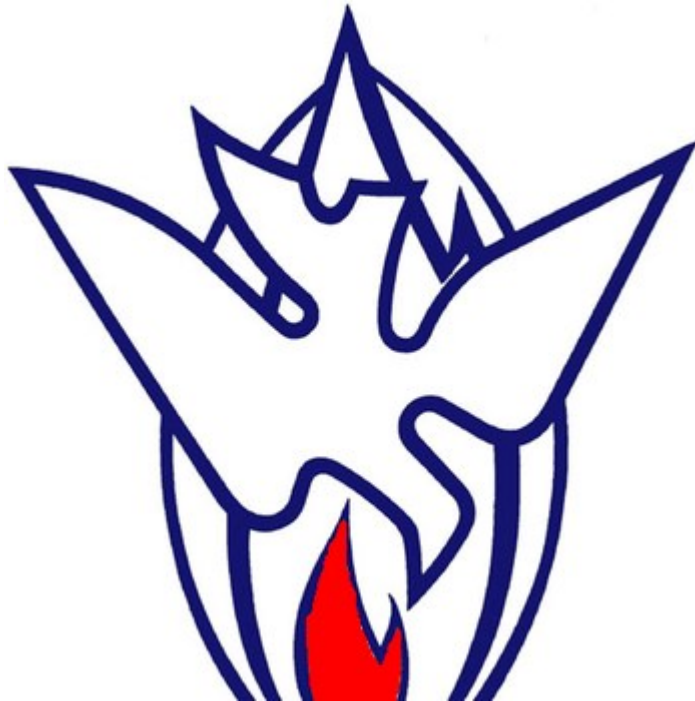
Closing Prayer

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord,

Amen.



Confirmation Orientation

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

Opening Prayer

Welcome

Conversation

1. What do you remember about your child's baptism?
Who joined in the celebration? Where did it take place? Was the garment handed down from generations ago? What went into your choice of godparents?
2. How did you choose your child's name?
3. What do you remember from your own Confirmation?
4. What place do the sacraments have in your own life?

Logistics

CHOOSE A SPONSOR

CHOOSE A CONFIRMATION NAME

SUBMIT ALL REQUIRED PAPERWORK AND FEE

- ◆ **COPY OF BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE**
This can be obtained by calling the parish where the candidate for Confirmation was baptized and requesting that a copy of the baptismal certificate be sent directly to St. Joseph Parish at **711 E. Colfax Ave., South Bend, IN 46617 or facsimile (574) 234-2822.**
- ◆ **LETTER OF PERMISSION FROM PASTOR (NON-PARISHIONERS)**
- ◆ **\$75.00 ADMINISTRATIVE FEE**
Please make checks payable to Saint Joseph Parish. This administrative fee helps to cover the cost of the materials used during the preparation process. For CCD participants, this is covered by your registration fee.