

Basic Guidelines of St. Ignatius, Martyr Life Teen Confirmation Program

- The Confirmation Candidate professes belief in the understanding of God, the Trinity, the Eucharist and the Nicene Creed. It is also important that the candidate maintain an active prayer life.
- The Confirmation Candidates are encouraged to attend mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- In addition to their involvement in Religious Education or Youth Ministry programs, Confirmation Candidates are to participate in Confirmation classes. Confirmation Candidates may only miss **1** of the scheduled classes. Please notify our Confirmation team if you are able to attend **beforehand** to make us aware of your absence.
- A minimum of **10** hours of service is required of each candidate during the duration of their formation. A form will be provided and should be turned in upon completion of hours and before candidates are to be Confirmed. Several opportunities are provided within the parish for service, but service can be performed outside of the parish as well.
- Confirmation Candidates must be enrolled and have consistent attendance in a Faith Formation for two years prior to the Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation, either in a Religious Education Program or Youth Ministry Program. (*See below about Catholic school.)
- Confirmation Candidates will attend the Confirmation Retreat in the year of Confirmation preparation.
- The Confirmation Candidate will schedule a discernment meeting with one of the Confirmation teacher's prior to Confirmation to discuss whether they feel they are ready to be confirmed.
- Confirmation Candidates will respect a proper dress code at all Confirmation classes and Mass. Clothing should always be modest and appropriate, with no vulgar or questionable content (including text or pictures), tube tops or plunging necklines.

*Please note: All sacramental preparation at St. Ignatius for teens and children is at minimum, a two year process. If the Confirmation Candidate attended a program outside of St. Ignatius, a letter verifying enrollment and attendance in that program is asked to be provided. If a youth has been attending Catholic School, only one year of Catholic School attendance will be included as part of the two years of the faith formation requirement. The Confirmation Candidate is encouraged to enroll in the St. Ignatius, Martyr Life Teen Youth Ministry in their second year (the year in which they are to celebrate Confirmation.)