



Spring 2026

Confirmation Preparation Packet
8th Grade and OCIT Year 2 Students

St. Veronica Catholic Church 2025-2026 Confirmation Prep Timeline

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| October 2025 | 10/05 Mandatory Parent and Teen Meeting, 6:30pm, PH 10/24 Application for Reception of Confirmation Due 10/24 Baptismal Certificate and Birth Certificate Due |
| November 2025 | 11/07 Confirmation Retreat Permission Slip Due 11/22 Mandatory Confirmation Retreat, St. Veronica, 11:30am to 6:15pm |
| December 2025 | 12/15 Saint Report Due |
| February 2026 | 02/06 Sponsor Eligibility Form Due 02/09 Confirmation Exam (RE students), St. Veronica School (TBD) |
| March 2026 | -- Confirmation Interviews (Date TBD) + Bring Letter to Bishop + Bring Service Verification Form |
| April 2026 | 04/29 Confirmation Rehearsal 5:00pm, Parish Hall 04/30 Students arrive at 4:30pm on the day of Confirmation 04/30 Confirmation Liturgy at 6pm with Bishop Burbidge 04/30 Confirmation Reception, Parish Hall |

If you have questions about any requirements, contact Erin Rose Johnson, Director of Religious Education at erjohnson@stveronica.net or (703)-773-2004



Registration for 2025-2026 Religious Education and Sacramental Preparation

Religious Education Classes for Students in Grades k-12 will be held on Monday evenings from 5:30pm-7pm beginning September 8, 2025. Parents may register and pay tuition online at the link below. Original Baptismal Certificates and Birth Certificates must be on file by September 1, 2025. These certificates must be submitted in their original hard copy, not electronically, as we must verify the seal. If your child had their certificates verified for the 2024-2025 school year, you need not submit them again. Contact re@stveronica.net with questions.

For **First Holy Communion or Confirmation preparation**, parents must submit the application and sacramental fee online at the link below. Birth and Baptismal Certificates must also be submitted to the Parish Office in their original hard copy form so that we can verify the document seal. We cannot accept these forms electronically.

For **Baptism for a child over the age of 7**, registration may also be completed at the link below. The child's original birth certificate must be submitted to the Parish Office. We cannot accept it electronically.

Register for Religious Education and/or Sacramental Preparation at this link...

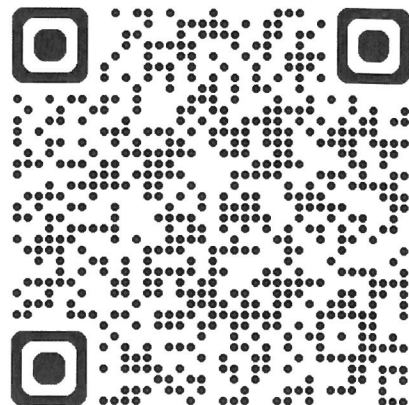
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Questions? Contact us:

St. Veronica Faith Formation

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Confirmation Retreat Permission Slip

Participant's Name (Please print) _____

Home Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Parent's Name _____

Primary Phone _____

Secondary Phone _____

Safety: As the participant, I agree to follow all procedures, safety precautions, and rules and regulations set forth by the Diocese and the Parish.

Signature of (Youth) Participant _____

Date _____

Parental Permission and Liability Release: As parent/legal guardian of the participant names above, I give my permission to participate fully in the Confirmation Retreat from 11:30am to 6:15pm on November 22, 2025, at St. Veronica Catholic Church. I agree to indemnify and hereby release the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and his successors in office, as well as the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and all Diocesan clergy, employees, volunteers, and participating parishes and schools from any and all liability, claims, demands for personal injury, sickness and death, as well as property damage and expenses of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned of the participant resulting from said participant's involvement in the above mentioned event (including transportation to and from the event). Furthermore, I on behalf of the participant hereby assume all risk of personal injury, sickness, death, damage, and expenses resulting from said participant's involvement in the above-described event.

Informed Consent to Medical Treatment: : I request that in my absence the above-named minor be admitted to any hospital or medical facility for diagnosis and treatment when a condition or injury arises that is serious enough that a reasonable person would seek care right away. I request and authorize physicians, dentists, and staff, duly licensed as Doctors of Medicine or Doctors of Dentistry or other such licensed technicians or nurses, to perform any diagnostic procedures, treatment procedures, operative procedures and x-ray treatment of the above minor. I have not been given a guarantee as to the results of examination or treatment. I authorize the hospital or medical facility to dispose of any specimen or tissue taken from the above-named minor. I assume full responsibility for all costs of such treatment. Further, should it be necessary for the participant to return home due to medical, disciplinary, or other reasons, I do hereby assume responsibility for the participant's transportation home and any costs related thereto.

Photo, Press, Audio, and Electronic Media Release: I authorize the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, its parishes, its schools and/or the Arlington Catholic Herald to use and publish my child's photograph, video and/or audio recording along with their name identifying them for educational, news stories, illustration and/or marketing purposes.

List any medical conditions that may affect the participant's involvement in this event: _____

Health Information

Primary Health Provider _____ Phone Number _____

Insurance Company _____ Policy Number _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship _____

Phone Number _____ Alt. Phone Number _____

Participant T-Shirt Size _____

List any allergies: _____

I understand and hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the participant's involvement in the above-described event, and I freely execute this Acknowledgement with full knowledge of its content. This Agreement may be signed electronically and in multiple counterparts, all of which taken together shall constitute one agreement.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

Confirmation Saint Report Guidelines

Saint Report (Due: December 15, 2025)

The Confirmation candidate is required to write a five-paragraph, double-spaced report on the life of the saint whose name they have chosen as the Confirmation name. The report must include:

- + The reason the candidate chose the saint.
- + A biography of the saint's life, including the date and place of birth and death
- + Feast day of the saint
- + Something about their life that inspires the candidate.
- + What are they a patron of?
- + Are there devotions to the saint?

There must be a minimum of 3 works cited. Excellent sources: www.ewtn.com/saintsholy, www.newadvent.org/cathen, www.catholic.org, www.catholicsaints.info, Wikipedia is not to be used as a source. Do not plagiarize directly from the internet or any source. The report should be the words of the candidate.

Reports must be:

- ☐ Handwritten neatly or typed
- ☐ Be at least 5 paragraphs in length
- ☐ Have a cover page that includes: The name of the saint, the name of the Confirmation candidate, and the name of the Teacher/Catechist
- ☐ Have Works Cited at the end, use the format your school requires (MLA, for instance.)
- ☐ The reports must not be plagiarized (copying someone else's work) or written by parent.



St. Veronica Catholic Church

Monsignor Dennis Kleinmann

3460 Centreville Road
Chantilly, Virginia 20151
(703) 773-2000

Confirmation Sponsor Form

I, _____ have been asked to be a sponsor for
_____, who is to receive the sacrament of Confirmation,
at (name of the church) _____,
in (place) _____, on (date) _____.

According to the 1983 Code of Canon Law, the Church has the following regulations with regard to Confirmation sponsors:

Can. 874 §1. To be permitted to take on the function of sponsor a person must:

- 1/ be designated by the one to be confirmed, by the parents or the person who takes their place, or in their absence by the pastor or minister and have the aptitude and intention of fulfilling this function;*
- 2/ have completed the sixteenth year of age, unless the diocesan bishop has established another age, or the pastor or minister has granted an exception for a just cause;*
- 3/ be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist and who leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on;*
- 4/ not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared;*
- 5/ not be the father or mother of the one to be confirmed.*

Can. 892 As far as possible the person to be confirmed is to have a sponsor. The sponsor's function is to take care that the person confirmed behaves as a true witness of Christ and faithfully fulfils the duties inherent in this sacrament.

893 §1 A person who would undertake the office of sponsor must fulfill the conditions mentioned in can. 874.

By leading a life of faith:

- _____ I am not the parent of the person being confirmed.
- _____ I believe and profess all that the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches, and proclaims to be revealed by God.
- _____ I am at least sixteen (16) years of age.
- _____ I have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- _____ If married, I received the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony in the Catholic Church.
- _____ I promise to obey the precepts of the holy Catholic Church:
- You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor.
 - You shall confess your sins at least once a year.
 - You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.
 - You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.
 - You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church.
- _____ I promise to **pray** for, provide a **good example** for, and have **regular contact** with the person I am sponsoring.

I affirm that I meet the above conditions and am willing to fulfill the responsibilities required of a sacramental sponsor.

Sponsor Signature and Date _____

To the best of my knowledge the above-mentioned person is able to assume the responsibilities he/she has agreed to accept.

Pastor Signature, Date, and Parish Seal _____

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Words to Know:

Chrism- A special oil blessed by the bishop and used in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders. It has a very beautiful scent which symbolizes the attraction of goodness and holiness. Anointing with Chrism shows that we have been called by God to serve him as prophets, priests, and kings in Christ.

Creed- Creed comes from the Latin word credo, "I believe". It is a statement of our beliefs as Christians (such as the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed).

Hypostatic Union- This is the mystery that in Christ the divine and human nature are united in the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. Jesus is fully God and fully man.

Incarnation- The truth that God became man. The Incarnation refers to the conception and birth of Jesus the Son of God who became man in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Marks of the Church- The four special signs that point out the true Church of Jesus Christ. These four marks are found in the Nicene Creed as one, holy, catholic, and apostolic. Only in the Catholic Church can all four of these marks be found.

Martyr- A witness to the truth of the Faith, in which the person endures even death to be faithful to Christ.

Paschal Mystery- This term comes from the Hebrew word for "Passover", a feast Jews celebrated in remembrance of their liberation from Egypt. The Last Supper was a Passover meal Jesus celebrated with his Apostles. So "Paschal Mystery" refers to the suffering, death, and Resurrection of Jesus by which we are saved from our sins.

Patron Saint- The saints after which we are named at Baptism and Confirmation. These saints pray for us in a special way and help us reach heaven. We should learn about our patron saints and try to love God as they did.

Penance- The practice of self-denial by such acts as fasting, giving money to the poor, and spending extra time in prayer. The purpose of penance is to make up for sin and to help us have a change of heart so that we may grow in love for God and our neighbors.

Pentecost- The special feast of the Holy Spirit. It recalls the coming of the Spirit upon the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Apostles. We celebrate Pentecost fifty days after Easter.

Sacrament- A visible sign given us by Jesus in order to give us Sanctifying Grace. There are seven Sacraments in the Church: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist, Penance, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders, and Matrimony.

Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit- These are seven supernatural powers we receive at Baptism and which are strengthened at Confirmation. They are wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, fortitude, piety, and fear of the Lord.

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Sign of Confirmation- The bishop imposes his hand on the head of the person and anoints him with Chrism while saying, "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Transubstantiation- The word we use to describe the changing of bread and wine into the very Body and Blood of Christ.

Triple Office- The term that reminds us of Jesus' mission as priest, prophet, and king. Through Baptism and Confirmation, we all share in the triple office of Christ.

Venial Sin- An offense against the holy law of God in a small matter. Venial sins weaken our relationship with God and are dangerous to our spiritual well-being.

Mortal Sin- A serious offense against the law of God, which destroys the sanctifying grace in our souls. For a sin to be mortal, three conditions must be present; 1) the action must be seriously wrong, 2) we must know that it is seriously wrong, 3) we must do it freely, without anyone or anything forcing us to do it. It is important to confess such sins as soon as possible and to avoid whatever leads us to commit these sins.

Mercy- The loving kindness God has for mankind. Because God is merciful, he forgives us our sins and brings us to heaven. Christ commands each one of us to be merciful to others, forgiving them whatever wrongs they have done to us.

Actual Grace- Supernatural help from God in which he inspires us to good and avoid evil. The desire to pray and help others are examples of actual graces.

Seal of Confession- The guarantee that the priest to whom one confesses one's sins will never reveal confessed sins to anyone.

Good News- Another word for the Gospel. The Gospel is the Good News that we are freed from sin and able to enter heaven. This has been accomplished for us by Jesus' death and Resurrection. The Gospel is also good news because it reveals the truth to us. Jesus' teachings in the four Gospels show us how to live if we want to reach heaven. This is why the Gospel is read at every Mass.

Mysteries of the Rosary: Meditations on events in the life of Christ. The Mysteries are grouped in four categories, Joyful Mysteries, Sorrowful Mysteries, Glorious Mysteries and Luminous Mysteries.

Prayer to Know:

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day, he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

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The Mysteries of the Rosary

The Joyful Mysteries

1. The Annunciation
2. The Visitation
3. The Nativity
4. The Presentation
5. The Finding in the Temple

The Sorrowful Mysteries

1. The Agony in the Garden
2. The Scourging at the Pillar
3. The Crowning with Thorns
4. The Carrying of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion

The Glorious Mysteries

1. The Resurrection
2. The Ascension of Jesus into Heaven
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit
4. The Assumption of Mary into Heaven
5. The Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth

The Luminous Mysteries

1. The Baptism of Christ in the Jordan
2. The Wedding Feast of Cana
3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God
4. The Transfiguration of Our Lord
5. The Institution of the Holy Eucharist

Multiple Choice:

1. "Eucharist" is from a Greek word meaning _____.
 - a. Liturgy
 - b. Thanksgiving**
 - c. Holiness
 - d. Transformation
2. The Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles at _____.
 - a. The Resurrection
 - b. Pentecost**
 - c. The Ascension
 - d. The Transfiguration
3. At Confirmation, the bishop will pray; "Be _____ the Gift of the Holy Spirit."
 - a. worthy of
 - b. blessed with
 - c. anointed with
 - d. sealed with**
4. If we are aware of committing a _____ sin, we should go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving the Eucharist.
 - a. mortal**
 - b. venial
 - c. unavoidable
 - d. unconscious

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5. A human being is made up of what two things?
 - a. **physical body and a spiritual soul**
 - b. water and electricity
 - c. truth and justice
 - d. intelligence and will
6. What is the Greek word for the proclamation of the gospel message?
 - a. **Kerygma**
 - b. Kyrie
 - c. Liturgy
 - d. Eucharist
7. The word "catholic" means_____
 - a. Thanksgiving
 - b. Christian
 - c. Eternal
 - d. **Universal**
8. This name means, "God is with us" ---- even in our suffering.
 - a. **Emmanuel**
 - b. Moses
 - c. Christ
 - d. Noah
9. Baptism, the Eucharist, and Confirmation, are the three Sacraments of _____.
 - a. **Initiation**
 - b. Jesus
 - c. Evangelization
 - d. Conversion
10. Who is the usual minister of Confirmation?
 - a. **Bishop**
 - b. Monsignor
 - c. Priest
 - d. Deacon
11. What are the "Sacraments of Healing?"
 - a. Baptism and Penance
 - b. **Penance and Anointing of the Sick**
 - c. Penance and Eucharist
 - d. Holy Orders and Anointing of the Sick
12. What are the "Sacraments of Service?"
 - a. Penance and Anointing of the Sick
 - b. Baptism and Penance
 - c. Penance and Eucharist
 - d. **Holy Orders and Marriage**

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13. The Church gives us three central teachings concerning the Blessed Virgin Mary. Which of the *following* is *not* one of those teachings?
- The Immaculate Conception- Mary was conceived without Original Sin.
 - Perpetual Virginity- Mary was and remained a virgin-before, during, and after the birth of Jesus.
 - The Assumption- Mary was assumed body and soul into Heaven.
 - Mother of Many Children- Mary remained a virgin even as she gave birth to brothers and sisters of Jesus.**
14. The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "The Eucharist is the _____ of the Christian Life."
- right and wrong
 - source and summit**
 - red and green
 - none of these

Things to Know:

- For an action of ours to be a mortal sin, it must fulfill three conditions. It must involve grave or serious matter. We must have full knowledge that what we are about to do is a mortal sin. We must have complete freedom of the will to commit the sin. It is important to confess such sins as soon as possible and to avoid whatever leads us to commit these sins.
- God is the primary author of Sacred Scripture.
- In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Bishop and the candidate speak to each other during the Anointing.
Bishop: "(Name) Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit." **Candidate:** "Amen"
Bishop: "Peace be with you" **Candidate:** "And with your spirit."
- The Sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of Baptismal grace.

Twelve Fruits of the Holy Spirit: Charity, Chastity, Faithfulness, Generosity, Gentleness, Goodness, Joy, Kindness, Patience, Peace, Modesty, Self-Control

Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching:

- Right to life and dignity of the human person
- Call to family, community, and participation.
- Rights and responsibilities
- Option for the poor and vulnerable
- The dignity of work and the right of workers
- Solidarity- we are one human family.
- Care of God's Creation

The Holy Days of Obligation in the United States:

- The Immaculate Conception- December 8th
- Christmas- December 25th
- Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God- January 1st
- Ascension Thursday- 40 Days after Easter
- The Assumption-August 15th
- All Saint's Day- November 1st

The Precepts of the Church:

- To attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation
- To confess our sins at least once a year
- To receive Holy Communion at least during the Easter Season
- To fast and abstain on the days appointed
- To contribute to the support of the Church

CONFIRMATION LETTER HINTS AND SUGGESTIONS

The confirmation letter to the bishop should have the following features:

1. It should be in the form of a standard business letter. With so much communication carried on by texting and social media today, having an opportunity to write a real, genuine, correct and proper business letter with real sentences and correct grammar is beneficial.

The letter should be addressed to

The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington
Office of the Bishop
200 North Glebe Road, Suite 914
Arlington, VA 22203

The salutation should be either "Dear Bishop Burbidge" or "Your Excellency."

2. Here is one idea for a suggested internal structure:

a. Paragraph 1: The student should introduce themselves in the first paragraph, tell where they go to school (or are homeschooled), the name of the Catholic parish to which they belong, and maybe a bit about their family (siblings, parents, etc.) *Be brief.*

b. Paragraph 2: The student should describe why they want to be confirmed. Ideas like becoming a soldier of Christ, and being strengthened in the Faith for the challenges of the world, are some good, solid thoughts for the nature of this discussion.

c. Paragraph 3: Describe who their confirmation saint will be, and why they chose the saint.

d. Paragraph 4: A closing paragraph.

e. Complimentary close and signature. ("Sincerely" is always a good idea.) Type your name, then sign above your typed name, in ink.

This structure is not mandatory; it is just a suggestion. The whole letter must fit on one side of one page, and be **typed single-spaced in 12-pitch Times New Roman typeface.**

****IMPORTANT NOTE**:** The **letter is not mailed to the Bishop**, please, **but is turned in here at St. Veronica.** We will gather all the letters (from Religious Ed., St. Veronica Catholic School, other Catholic Schools, and homeschool) into one large package, and mail them, as one group, to Bishop Burbidge in advance of confirmation.

SUGGESTED FORMAT OF A BUSINESS LETTER TO THE BISHOP

125 Anything Street
Oak Hill, VA 20171
[Date of letter, 2018]

The Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge
Bishop of Arlington
Office of the Bishop
200 North Glebe Road, Suite 914
Arlington, VA 22203

Your Excellency [may substitute “Dear Bishop Burbidge” if you wish]

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¶ 3: Describe who your confirmation saint will be/why you chose him/her

¶ 4: A brief closing paragraph.

Sincerely,

Sally Smith

[The whole letter must fit on one side of one piece of paper. Do not go overly long.]

Guidelines for Works of Mercy Service Projects

“It is to you young people that the task first falls of bearing witness to the Faith and bringing into the Faith and bringing into the third millennium the Gospel of Christ, who is the Way, the Truth, the Life...” Pope St. John Paul II

As you prepare for Confirmation, it is vital that you understand the need for serving your fellow man, as well as your brothers and sisters in faith. The Works of Mercy are powerful ways to serve all people.

“The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities. Instructing, advising, consoling, and comforting are spiritual works of mercy, as are forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently. The corporal works of mercy, consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead.” (CCC 2447)

“Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited... Then the righteous will answer him ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick... and visit you?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.’” (Matthew 25:34-40)

Corporal Works of Mercy

1. Feed the hungry
2. Give drink to the thirsty
3. Clothe the naked
4. Visit the sick
5. Shelter the homeless
6. Visit the imprisoned
7. Bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

1. Admonish the sinners
2. Instruct the ignorant
3. Counsel the doubtful
4. Comfort the sorrowing
5. Bear wrongs patiently
6. Forgive all injuries
7. Pray for the living and the dead

Service is based on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy, and most of all, on the example of Christ who came to serve. When providing service, the following points should be considered:

- Your service is not just a job to be done.
- You should reflect on how your service project is helping you take on the mind and heart of Christ, fulfill the needs of others, and build up the Christian community.
- The giving of service should continue after your Confirmation day and all through your life.

You must perform a total of **6 separate tasks** that require at least **an hour each or more** of your time relating to **3 different Corporal Works** and **3 different Spiritual Works**. Bring your completed and signed Service Verification Form to your interview in March of 2026.

Ideas for Works of Mercy Projects

The Corporal Works of Mercy:

Feed the Hungry/ -Participate in a Food Drive (i.e. collect canned goods)

Give Drink to the Thirsty: -Work in a Soup Kitchen (w/ parental assistance)

-Make dinner for the family or a shut-in

(Many parish groups need help. Some suggestions: help with various service projects performed by the Knights of Columbus; making sandwiches for a homeless shelter with our Saint Mother Teresa Outreach Program; volunteering to assist at various receptions and dinners.)

Clothe the Naked: -Do a Family Clothing Drive; Coat Collection

Visit the Sick: -Visit a Nursing Home; Offer your service (without pay) to an elderly neighbor to do special projects such as mowing, shoveling of snow, raking leaves, or weeding.

-Help out a sick person in your family or neighborhood

Shelter the Homeless: -Participate in a Blanket Drive

-Participate in a Walk for the Homeless

-Collect bathroom supplies for Christ House

-Help make sandwiches for a homeless shelter

Visit the Imprisoned: --Collect books to donate to a prison library

Bury the Dead: -Visit a Cemetery and pray there for the faithful departed

-Assist with a bereavement Luncheon

-Attend a funeral

The Spiritual Works of Mercy:

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| Admonish the Sinners: | -Gently correct someone who is misguided -Pray for the conversion of sinners |
| Instruct the Ignorant: | -Assist with a religious education class (if you are not an RE student) -Help a younger sibling with homework -Help a younger sibling to learn prayers |
| Counsel the Doubtful: | -Lend encouragement to someone who is “down.” |
| Comfort the Sorrowing: | -Make a card for someone who is ill or who has lost a loved one. |
| Bear wrongs patiently: | -Discuss an occasion when you “turned the other cheek.” |
| Forgive all injuries: | -Make peace with those with whom you struggle or have problems |
| Pray for the living and and the dead | -Pray regularly as a family -Offer prayers for the souls in purgatory -Attend a Holy Hour; engage in Eucharistic Adoration |

Bring to Your Confirmation Interview in Spring 2026

Student Name _____

[illegible]

Important Things of Note:

Confirmation Liturgy

Confirmation will take place on April 30th, 2026 at 6:00 PM. *Confirmandi must arrive no later than 4:30PM.* Sponsors must be in the church no later than 5:00pm. The Bishop will be available for pictures at the reception following the confirmation Mass.

CONFIRMATION MASS RECEPTION

Following the Confirmation Mass, there will be a reception with the Bishop and parish priests for all candidates, their families and friends in the parish hall. Confirmandi must wear their robes during the entire reception.

Reception Guidelines: Families are asked to each bring a food item to share and drop it off in the kitchen prior to Mass. We will already have cake, coffee, and drinks.

Please plan to bring the food item below to share, according to your last name:

A-F Tray (Fruit Tray, Veggie Tray, or Cheese/meat and Crackers Tray)

G-N Entrée (Finger Sandwiches, meatballs, Spring Rolls, Chicken Wings, etc.)

O-S Snack (Chips and Salsa, Pretzels and hummus, etc)

T-Z Desserts (Cookies, Brownies, Pastry (We will have cake.)

DRESS CODE FOR THE CONFIRMATION MASS

The dress should reflect the solemn celebration. Young men are required to wear dress pants, dress shoes (no sneakers), a dress shirt with a collar and a tie. A jacket is optional. Young men should not wear earrings. Young ladies are required to wear **modest** dress clothes, such as a dress or skirt, and dress shoes. Dresses and skirts should be no shorter than the top of the knee. Sleeveless is permitted but not strapless. The neckline of the dress, blouse or sweater should be conservative and please, no sparkles or sequins. All candidates will wear robes and robes will stay on until preparing to leave the reception to travel home. *This modest dress code applies to **sponsors and proxies** as well.* Please, be conservative and wear business type clothes to the rehearsal.