

STUDENT PREPARATION AGREEMENT

As I prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, I will make every effort to adequately prepare for the reception of the Sacrament, specifically:

- The Lord commands us to “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy” (Exodus 20:8) and as I prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, I will attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in person each Sunday and every Holy Day of Obligation.
- As it is written in Sacred Scripture, “Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who calls you to account for the hope that is in you” (1 Peter 3:15). Therefore, in order to continue to grow in my knowledge of the faith, I will attend my Religious Education classes (**with no more than four unexcused absences, for RE students**), complete my assignments in My Catholic Faith Delivered, and achieve an overall passing grade of 70% in my chapter/unit assessments and midterm and final exams.
- Christ came “not to be served, but to serve” (Mathew 28:20). Looking towards the example of Christ, I will selflessly and lovingly serve others as I prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation through the completion of a minimum of ten hours of parish or service to the poor and needy. I understand that I must submit a service proposal for pre-approval by the RE Office before undertaking my service.
- For each year of 7th & 8th Grades, I will reflect on how my service was a response to God’s love and a reflection of God’s love for others through an audio-visual presentation that demonstrates the acts of service I performed.
- *Christ spent 40 days in the desert before He began his public ministry. Through the Sacrament of Confirmation, I am more “strictly obligated to spread and defend the faith by word and deed.” (CCC 1285).* Therefore, I will attend and actively participate in the 7th Grade Confirmation retreat to prepare to receive the sacrament and to grow as a true witness of Christ.
- St. Jerome said “Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.” Therefore, I will nurture my relationship with Jesus Christ by reflecting on the Word of God in the Sunday Liturgical Readings and submit the Flipgrid Reflections each week as required.
- *The fourth commandment, “Honor thy father and mother”, is addressed to children in their relationship to their father and mother, because this relationship is the most universal. However, it requires honor and gratitude be extended to the duties of pupils to teachers. (CCC 2199).* I understand that the teachers, catechists and aides in the classroom and online represent my parents and deserve my attention and respect. I further understand that if my behavior is disruptive and does not improve after several warnings, I may be dismissed from the Confirmation class.
- I understand that failure to complete the above requirements will defer my reception of the sacrament of Confirmation for this year. However, the sacrament may be celebrated next year when I can complete these requirements.

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Student Signature & Date