

# Teen Guidelines for Confirmation Preparation

## Church Participation

All candidates are expected to attend mass at St Clare Church on Saturday or Sunday on a regular basis to be considered active in the church. All Candidates need to be attending youth ministry on Sunday evenings at least twice a month throughout the year.

## Saint's research

Each candidate will do research on a saint of their choice. This will be due on November 1<sup>st</sup> at the Youth ministry meeting. This will be a required meeting for all candidates. Guidelines for paper are on a separate sheet.

## Sponsors

Your sponsor should be chosen by December 1st to be able to attend Enrollment on January 17<sup>th</sup> and to share on your journey of learning about your faith.

## Retreat

Each candidate will be asked to attend one retreat. The retreat is scheduled for January 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> at Mt Angel Youth Center. This will be a service retreat, so you can plan to use this time as part of your 30 hours.

## Liturgical Enrollment

Each candidate will be publicly enrolled into the confirmation program on January 17<sup>th</sup> at the 11:15 am mass. This will be at the end of the Confirmation Retreat on Saturday and Sunday. Sponsors are asked to attend.

## Service

Service is the way that we express our commitment to living out the Gospel. Each time we share our talents and gifts with others we are allowing God to work through our lives. Many opportunities to serve will be announced to help the candidate to share their gifts with the community. It is up to the candidate to decide when, and how they will choose to share their gifts. Each candidate will write a one page paper on how the service they did helped them reflect on the message that God gives us to go out and serve those around us and to spread the Gospel message. Candidates are asked to complete at least 30 hrs. of service. This is a great time to work with your sponsor. Papers are due by April 19.

## Confirmation Name

A confirmation name is a special name we choose to symbolize our commitment to our community. It can be the candidate's baptismal name, or the name of a Saint. All candidates will do research on a saint and write a paper about the Saint's life and reflecting on why the church would choose them as a model for others to follow.

## Interviews

The candidate will have one interview. The interview will be scheduled after April 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Baptismal Information

**All candidates not baptized at St. Clare church need to bring a copy of their baptismal records to Sue Unger by January 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**Any questions or concerns contact Sue Unger at 503-244-1037 ext 103 or 503-349-7075 Cell**