



Confirmation Requirements

2023-2024

- **Homily Reflection:** *Due Wednesdays when we have class.*
 - Submit a summary from the previous Sunday's homily. These must be at least 250 words, Times New Roman, 12-point font, double spaced. The summary needs to include a brief description of what Father talked about, including themes, and the candidate's takeaway from the homily.
- **Confirmation Information Form:** *Due Wednesday, December 6*
 - If your child **was not** baptized at Transfiguration, please submit an *official copy* of your child's baptismal record. We must have a new copy (issued within 6 months of our receipt of the certificate) of the baptismal record in order for your child to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. New copies of the Baptismal record can be obtained by calling the parish of Baptism and requesting a copy of the baptismal record to be sent to Transfiguration (attn: Martha Praska).
- **Sponsor Good Standing Letter:** *Due Wednesday, December 6*
 - The Church requires in canon 874 of the *Code of Canon Law* that the sponsor for Confirmation meet the following requirements:
 - I. Be a registered/practicing Catholic in a parish.
 - II. Have received the sacrament of Confirmation and be at least 16 years old.
 - III. Be willing to take on the responsibility of being a sponsor (i.e. Encouraging the practice of the Faith and providing a good Catholic example).
 - Due to the seriousness of this role, we ask that any sponsor who is not a member of Transfiguration parish to obtain the signature of his/her pastor.
- **Confirmation Retreat:** *TBD*
 - All candidates (except those who attended CYSC) must attend an overnight retreat through [NET Ministries](#).
 - Please register your son or daughter by September 30. Once registered, please let Melissa Phinney know the dates your son or daughter is attending.
 - Registration and more information about NET Ministries, may be found on their [website](#).
 - The cost of the retreat is \$170.
- **Saint Report on the Confirmation Name Saint:** *Due Wednesday, December 6*
 - Explanation of why you chose this saint to be your confirmation saint – more details available on the [website](#).
 - These essays will be presented to small groups throughout the spring.
- **Letter to the Pastor from the Candidate:** *Due Wednesday, December 6*
 - The letter will express the intention of the candidate to receive the sacrament as well as giving 3 reasons why he/she desires to be confirmed.
 - The template for the letter is on the parish website.
- **Letter to the Pastor from the Sponsor:** *Due Wednesday, December 6*
 - Each candidate's sponsor must write a letter to the pastor expressing his/her belief that the candidate is prepared to receive the sacrament.
 - The template for the letter is on the parish website.

- **10 Service hours:** *Due Wednesday, March 20*
 - Service hours need to be related to one of the 7 Corporal Works of Mercy or service at the parish.
 - It is highly encouraged that one of the service hours is completed with the sponsor.
 - Service hour forms can be found on the parish [website](#).
- **Interview with the Pastor:** TBD
 - Fr. John Paul Erickson will meet with each candidate.
 - Will include a brief review of what they have learned and why they want to be Confirmed.

