



**Confirmation Calendar
Classes on Sundays,
Sept 18-May 6, 9-10:45am**

Sept 18: Bingo/silent tour
Sept 25: Baptism

Oct 2: Lay Franciscans

Oct 9: VIRTUS

Oct 16: Sponsors role,
COMMISSIONING at
11am Mass

Oct 30: Saints

Nov 3: NET Retreat,
3-8pm

Nov 6: Prison Ministry

Nov 13: Mass Changes

Nov 20: Feeding the Poor

Dec 11: Real presence

Dec 18: Faith after High
School

Jan 8: Morning of Reflec-
tion for Sponsors/
Candidates Breakfast

Jan 22: San Lucas Missions

Feb 5: God's plan for the
Gift of our Sexuality

Feb 12: Faith Walk

Feb 26: Living Stations
Rehearsal, 6:30pm

Feb 28: Living Stations
Rehearsal, 7pm

Feb 29: Living Stations
Performance/Retreat,
6:15-10pm

Mar 4: Birthright

Mar 24: Interviews, 1-4pm

Mar 25: Being a Man of
God/Marriage

April 1: Fr. Meidl answers
questions

April 15: Hospice/End of
Life

April 22: Vocations

April 29: Breakfast &
Reconciliation

May 3: Rehearsal, 8:15pm

May 6: Confirmation,
10:15am-1pm

Confirmation Program Teaches Kingdom-building

CONFIRMATION:

Can. 851: "To receive confirmation licitly outside the danger of death requires that a person who has the use of reason be suitably instructed, properly disposed, and able to renew the baptismal promises."

At Baptism, we begin a journey with our children. As their primary teachers, we accept the charge to raise them in the faith. What a tremendous responsibility and privilege to see them through the Sacraments! Confirmation is a pinnacle! It marks our teens' places as new adults in the Church. It is said the Confirmation programs at St. Anastasia and St. Boniface ask a lot of its candidates, but what the candidates receive far surpasses their sacrifices. Instruction, growth and the in-dwelling of the Holy Spirit!

Students who have witnessed familial examples of service to the community, lived a faith-filled Catholic life, been encouraged in the frequent participation of the sacraments, and attended to their faith formation can feel confident they are prepared to meet the challenges the Confirmation program asks of them. Again this year, at St. Anastasia, they will hear from members of the parish what it means to live out their Confirmation promises in concrete and everyday ways. They will meet adults who have taken on God's work feeding the hungry, ministering to the imprisoned, holding the hand of the dying. They will be exposed to some new and many well-used prayer styles the Church offers such as novenas, meal prayers, intercessory prayer, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. In order to taste the future and begin their lives of service to God, they will experience varied forms of guided ministry within, by bringing forth the offertory gifts, decorating the church for its great feasts, working at the Fall Festival, collecting for the food shelf, lending a hand at Loaves and Fishes, and sorting boxes for Operation Christmas Child. They will rehearse what it means to share their faith as they explore scripture with their sponsors/mentors. At the retreats, they will hear God's word in new and personal ways. They will experience the gift of stewardship through a bake sale, choosing a recipient and doing the baking themselves. During Lent, they will rehearse for and present the Living Stations, and we invite you to attend this very moving performance. It always holds surprises for the hearts of the candidates and inspiration for the audience.

The confirmation candidates are a great gift within our parish. Please pray for them as they journey.

—Angela Young

*All Powerful God, Send Your Spirit
Be Their Helper & Guide
Fill Them With Wonder & Awe
In Your Presence*

—Rite of Confirmation

Confirmation Guidelines

1. Learn more about what it means to practice your faith and be an Adult Catholic.
2. Be punctual for all sessions (no hats, coats, cell phones in church or chapel).
3. Participate in all sessions. Only 3 absences permitted—makeup homework will be assigned for absenteeism.
4. Complete the *Confirmed in the Spirit* text.
5. Complete Journal companion for the textbook.
6. Attend at Sunday Mass.
7. Complete 3 *Liturgy of the Word* worksheets.
8. Participate in 2 retreats. (NET retreat Nov 3, Living Stations retreat)
9. Keep your parents informed.
10. Perform 16 hours of community service.
11. Participate with sponsor in 3 sponsor/candidate sessions.
12. Participate in Commissioning Sunday Oct 17, 11am Mass.
13. Participate in Living Stations practices and performance.
14. Participate in one assigned offertory procession.
15. Satisfactorily interview with a parish representative.
16. Successfully complete the final exam.
17. Attend Confirmation rehearsal.
18. Complete all required forms.