

April 28, 2017

Dear Parish Families,

Welcome to the Saint Mary Parish Confirmation Program. I am excited to journey with your family and your teen towards the Sacrament of Confirmation. In this registration packet you will read about all the Confirmation and Youth Ministry Program at Saint Mary provides your teen and your family. This is truly a special time of spiritual formation for your teen, one that I hope will strengthen your entire family. **There will be a parent/teen information session on May 21, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the church. Please attend. We will go over the requirements and tentative calendar at that time, and their first assignment will be given out then.**

The theme of our Confirmation Program is Acts 1:8, "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be my witnesses..." With that in mind, our program is divided into three phases: the period of inquiry, the period of evangelization, and the period of mission.

As you continue ministering to your family, your parish and the community, I ask you to be especially faithful in these areas:

- Attend Sunday Liturgy and Holy Days of Obligation.
- Support a parish ministry with the gift of your time.

In addition to worshipping at Saint Mary Parish, your family has the opportunity to give your time, talent and treasure to the many ministries this faith community has to offer. Opportunities to participate are not restricted to Youth Ministry or Confirmation, but include all parish ministries such as Adult Faith Formation, RCIA, Religious Education, to name but a few. It is your example that will have the greatest impact on the faith formation of your child.

In His Service,



Patrick Haviland  
Director of Youth Ministry

# Confirmation

What is required in the Confirmation Program?

- You **MUST** be **enrolled in Religious Education or St. Mary School** IN ADDITION TO being enrolled in the Confirmation program.
  - Attendance at the Sunday evening One Eight sessions is expected. **Excessive absences will be cause for your teen to return for a second year of formation.** All sessions are from 6:30-8:30 pm.
  - **Attendance at the Confirmation retreat is also expected.** If you miss the retreat, you will be responsible for finding a retreat at another parish.
  - Candidates are asked to accept their share of the responsibility to serve others. The teens will be required to work one 2-hour shift during the parish picnic, participate with their family at our parish Almsgiving Day, attend the service opportunity provided by their small group leaders, and do at least one service opportunity with their family. Parents and sponsors are encouraged to work with their teen to complete the Saint Community Service and outreach opportunities. We need your positive presence to help this work well. **Your Saint Community adult leader will inform you of the dates and times for your service opportunities.**
  - Candidates are also challenged to grow in discipleship with Christ and encounter a range of faithful opportunities and experiences. With that in mind, they are asked to **attend three youth ministry events**, throughout the year.
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St. Mary Confirmation Registration Form  
2017-2018

**Student Information:**

Name: (Last, First, Middle)	
Address:	
City, State, Zip Code:	
Home Phone:	Family E-mail:
Birth Date:	Gender: (circle one)    Male    Female
School:	Grade in Fall 2017:
Confirmation Preparation is <b>in addition to</b> regular religious instruction. This student is enrolled in: (circle one)                      St. Mary Religious Education                      St. Mary School	

**Baptism Information:**

Date of Baptism (or Profession of Faith):
Church Name:
Church Address:
Church City, State, Zip Code:

**\*\*Please Note: Baptismal Certificates are required for our Sacramental Records\*\*  
unless the baptism took place at St. Mary Parish. Please submit a copy of the baptismal certificate with your registration.**

**Confirmation Registration due May 21, 2017  
at the Information Meeting.**

**Parent Information:**

Mother's Full Name:	Father's Full Name:
Maiden Name:	
Marital Status: Married Divorced Widowed (circle one) Remarried Separated Single	Marital Status: Married Divorced Widowed (circle one) Remarried Separated Single
Address (if different):	Address (if different):
City, State, Zip Code:	City, State, Zip Code:
Email (if different):	Email (if different):
Home Phone (if different):	Home Phone (if different):
Cell Phone:	Cell Phone:
Work Phone:	Work Phone:
Religion:	Religion:
Registered Parishioner: (circle one)                    yes    no	Registered Parishioner: (circle one)                    yes    no

**Medical Information and Learning Needs**

Medications/Allergies:
Special Needs/Learning Disabilities:
Other:

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

PARISHIONER AMNT DUE <u>\$220.00</u> AMNT PAID _____ CASH _____ CHECK # _____ DATE _____
NON-PARISHIONER AMNT DUE <u>\$420.00</u> AMNT PAID _____ CASH _____ CHECK # _____ DATE _____

# St. Mary Confirmation Financial Record Sheet 2017-2018

No child is denied Confirmation Preparation for financial reasons. Please contact the youth ministry office to request a financial assistance application.

## Confirmation Candidate's Name:

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## Household Information:

Head of Household's Name: (Last, First, Middle)
Address:
City, State, Zip Code:
Home Phone:
E-mail:
Parishioner status (please circle):  Parishioner (envelope # _____)                      Non-Parishioner

## Tuition:

The tuition fee for registered parishioners is \$220.00, and \$420.00 for non-parishioners. This fee includes materials, utilities (e.g. heat & phone), building maintenance, salaries, postage expense, and retreat and liturgy costs. Saint Mary Parish subsidizes the Confirmation Program.

\_\_\_ I am including a donation of \$ \_\_\_ to help with tuition assistance.

- I am paying by check. Full payment enclosed (checks made payable to St. Mary Parish).
- I have paid by credit card or signed up to make payments through FACTS online (If you do not have a current FACTS account, please go to <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4HNRR> and create and account)

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# Saint Mary Confirmation

## Youth Permission and Parental / Guardian Authorizations

For all activities in the 2017-2018 fiscal year (July to June)

I request that St. Mary Youth Ministry allow my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in Youth Ministry sponsored activities and I understand that my child will be under adult supervision.

I hereby release and indemnify St. Mary Youth Ministry, St. Mary Parish, its staff and its volunteers, and the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a corporation sole, from any and all liability arising from claims of any kind or nature whatsoever from my son/daughter's participation in official Youth Ministry events.

In case of an accident, and in the event that the undersigned, or my authorized physician, cannot be reached, and in the judgment of the designated supervisor of the activity, we (I) authorize an adult, in whose care my son/daughter has been entrusted, to consent to any x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical, surgical, or dental diagnosis or treatment, and hospital care to be rendered to my son/daughter under the general or special supervision and on the advice of any physician or dentist licensed under the provisions of the Medical Practice Act on the medical staff of a licensed hospital, whether such diagnosis or treatment is rendered at the office of said physician or at said hospital. I hereby authorize the treatment of my son/daughter at my expense, in the event of a medical emergency. If in the opinion of the attending physician, may endanger their life, cause disfigurement, or physical impairment or undue comfort if delayed. Treatment will not be withheld if parent, guardian, or emergency contact cannot be reached.

St. Mary Youth Ministry reserves the right to use any pictures taken by St. Mary Youth Ministry staff or its volunteers for promotion of St. Mary Youth Ministry. I consent to this: \_\_\_\_\_(initial)

Medical Insurance Company:	
Name on the Policy:	
Policy Number:	Group Number:
Family Physician:	Phone Number:
Emergency Contact 1: (other than parent)	Relationship to Child:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Emergency Contact 2: (other than parent)	Relationship to Child:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date:

## Parent Preferences and Commitments

TEEN'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

This program relies totally on the volunteers to make it possible. With that in mind, we ask that you consider where your talents and time can be used to make the ***One Eight*** Confirmation Program the best! Each Parent Team will be known by their Patron Saint.

**St. Charles Borromeo Team-** St. Charles Borromeo is the Patron Saint of Catechists. We are always looking for parents to help facilitate the Saint Community Break Outs that take place on the ***One Eight Sessions***. The commitment will involve 4 planning meetings with the Confirmation Coordinator, Small Group Facilitation on ***One Eight Nights***, coordinating a Service Project with your Saint Community and continual outreach to increase relational ministry to the teens throughout the month. Safe Environment Training is mandatory for this ministry.

**St. Expeditus Team-** St. Expeditus is the Patron Saint of Procrastination and Organization. Every time we gather we will need parents to coordinate the last minute things that need to be done. This is a volunteer ministry that will take 1 to 2 hours a month to assist us with any photocopying or preparing materials and requires that you come 1 hour the week before to the youth ministry office to help.

**St. Catherine of Alexandria Team-** St. Catherine of Alexandria is the Patron Saint of Secretaries. On weeks when assignments are due, you will help collect and record the assignments that are turned in, and make reminder notices for those that are missing.

**St. Joseph Team-** St. Joseph is the Patron Saint of Parents. We are looking for parents who will assist the Catechists with the annual Service Projects. Safe Environment Training is mandatory for this ministry.

**St. Peter Team-** St. Peter is known as the Gatekeeper. We are looking for parents to help open the classrooms in the school and close them up after the ***Saint Communities*** have moved to the church. Your job is to make sure the classrooms are in original order once the teens have left the room and return any supplies used to the youth ministry cabinet. During the One Eight Session, you will be in the school office to buzz latecomers in. This will require you to arrive 30 minutes prior to the ***One Eight Sessions***.

**Guardian Angels-** Guardian Angels are our Prayer Warriors. This is a group of parents that will pray for us on the day of the retreat. The purpose of this group is to pray for the teens of our parish.