

2018-2019 CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Complete & submit the “Confirmation Registration” form by March 1, 2019
2. Complete & submit the “Confirmation Name & Sponsor” form by March 1, 2019
3. Submit a copy of all sacramental certificates (i.e., Baptism, First Reconciliation, & First Eucharist) if your child made the sacraments at a church other than St. Louis, by March 1, 2019.
4. Attend Mass weekly
5. Children who do not receive religious education at school must attend St. Louis Faith Formation classes and maintain good attendance. See the St. Louis Faith Formation Attendance Policy for more information.
6. Attend all three sacrament preparation classes. Absences will not be permitted & make-up sessions will not be offered.
 - a. Saturday, March 23rd, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
 - b. Saturday, March 30th, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
 - c. Saturday, April 6th, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
7. Complete service hours: 10 total community service hours, 4 of which need be within the St. Louis Parish community.
 - a. Use the Community Service Form to document hours
 - b. Obtain a signature from the site supervisor every time you volunteer
 - c. Hours must be completed & Community Service form submitted by May 1, 2019

*Volunteer opportunities at St. Louis are listed at the end of this document. Check the weekly bulletins and/or St. Louis website for specific dates & times for these events. Please plan to have all St. Louis volunteer hours completed by Easter. St. Louis offers lots of volunteer opportunities in the fall, around Christmas, throughout winter, and at Easter; however, volunteer opportunities are very limited, if offered at all, after Easter.

**It is not possible to submit an individual’s name to the diocese for Confirmation without the service hour requirement complete by the required due date.

8. Attend our Young Christians at Work retreat
 - a. Date: Saturday, October 20th, 2018
 - b. Time: 8:00 – 5:30 p.m. (Mass at St. Joseph University Parish 4:30 to 5:30, parents are welcome to attend the Mass with their child)
 - c. Location: St. Joseph University Parish, UB south campus
 - d. Cost: TBD (information will be sent out closer to the day of the retreat with specific information, usually the cost is around \$15).
9. Find a sponsor - a faith mentor to support, encourage, & pray with and for the candidate

- a. Your sponsor needs to be a practicing Roman Catholic and be in good standing in his/her church. He or she must be a baptized and confirmed Catholic, as well as attend Mass regularly. Sponsors must submit a letter from their parish stating this information.
- b. Parents of confirmation candidates cannot serve as their child's sponsor.
- c. St. Louis parishioners serving as sponsors must contact the DRE to ensure eligibility.
- d. Submit sponsor letters to DRE by March 1, 2019.

10. Attend Confirmation Mass:

Confirmation Mass will be Sunday, June 9th, 2019, at 3 p.m. at St. Joseph's Cathedral.

POSSIBLE ST. LOUIS SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES:

1. Summer Picnic: Sunday, August 26th, after the 11:00 Mass
2. Help with Fall "Clean-up" at church: TBD
3. Volunteer to set up/clean up for the Oktoberfest –Oktoberfest is 10/14
4. Decorate the church for Christmas: TBD
5. Take down Christmas Decorations: TBD
6. Volunteer to set up/help with Christmas party: Christmas Party is 12/9, set-up will be 12/8
7. Volunteer at St. Joseph's Table: (sometime in March)
8. Decorate the church for Easter: Saturday, April 20th, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
9. Help with Faith Formation classes: Ongoing September – April, 9:50 to 10:50 a.m.
10. Be an altar server or lector during Mass
11. Help set up/clean up for People of Faith events: 10/21, 12/16, 3/3, 4/28

*If other opportunities become available, I will email you the information. Check weekly bulletins for dates/times for these & other St. Louis events

For inquires, please contact the DRE, Ashlee Campbell (834-2439 / stlouisfaithformation@gmail.com)

Submit completed forms to DRE, Ashlee Campbell, via:

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