



# Confirmation Registration Checklist 2021/2022

**YOU WILL BE OFFICIALLY REGISTERED FOR CONFIRMATION WHEN THE FOLLOWING  
HAVE BEEN COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED BY JUNE 28, 2021.**

- Completed **Faith Formation Registration Form**
- A copy of your **baptismal certificate** **OR**, if baptized at St. Joan, please note the year 20\_\_\_\_\_
- PARENTAL PERMISSION, HEALTH AUTHORIZATION, RELEASE FORM**
- Complete sponsor and service information requested below.
- Signature page of Confirmation Enrollment Contract signed by both teen **AND** parent.
- Complete retreat signup at <http://bit.ly/SJADiscipleship> to indicate which of the mandatory Discipleship Retreat weekends Candidate will attend.
- Remind your sponsor to put October 10, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on his/her calendar to attend Confirmation session.
- Pay program fee of \$225 (enclose check made payable to “St. Joan of Arc” OR pay on-line)  
*This fee includes enrollment in the Confirmation Program, enrollment in LIGHT, and sacrament fee.*

## SPONSOR INFORMATION

<b>CANDIDATE:</b> Name: _____	
<b>SPONSOR:</b> Name: _____ Cell #: _____	
Email: _____	

## SERVICE

Although service requirement has been waived for 2021-22 Confirmation candidates, we would still love to know where you have served. Please list any service performed during your high school years.	
Organization	Number of Hours
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# **REVISED Confirmation Calendar**

## **St. Joan of Arc Parish**

### **2021/2022**

DATE	TIME	SESSION
27-Aug to 29-Aug	Approx. 7 pm Friday to 2 pm Sunday	Discipleship Retreat – <b>MANDATORY**</b>
12-Sep	4:30 - 7:30 p.m. <b>LEADERS, CANDIDATES &amp; PARENTS</b>	4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Youth Mass (Confirmation candidates attend; families welcome).
		5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Small Group Session #1 – Leaders & Candidates 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. <b>Virtual Meeting - Parents</b>
19-Sep	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #2
24-Sep to 26-Sep	Approx. 7 pm Friday to 2 pm Sunday	Discipleship Retreat – <b>MANDATORY**</b>
3-Oct	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #3
10-Oct	4:30 - 7:30 p.m. <b>LEADERS, CANDIDATES &amp; SPONSORS*</b>	<b>4:30 to 5:30 p.m. teens attend Youth Mass with their groups.</b> Small Group Session #4 <b>w/ sponsors</b> (5:30 – 7:30)
17-Oct	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #5
24-Oct	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #6
<b>31-Oct</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>NO SESSION - SCHOOL RECESS</b>
7-Nov	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #7
14-Nov	4:30 - 7:30 p.m.	<b>4:30 to 5:30 p.m. teens attend Youth Mass with their groups.</b> Small Group Session #8 (5:30 – 7:30)
<b>21-Nov</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>NO SESSION - THANKSGIVING BREAK</b>
28-Nov	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #9
5-Dec	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #10
12-Dec	4:30 - 7:30 p.m.	<b>4:30 to 5:30 p.m. teens attend Youth Mass with their groups.</b> Small Group Session #11 (5:30 – 7:30)
<b>19-Dec, 26-Dec , 2-Jan</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>NO SESSION - CHRISTMAS BREAK</b>
9-Jan	4:30 - 7:30 p.m.	<b>4:30 to 5:30 p.m. teens attend Youth Mass with their groups.</b> Small Group Session #12 (5:30 – 7:30)
<b>16-Jan</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>NO SESSION - MLK HOLIDAY</b>
23-Jan	5:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Mini retreat
30-Jan	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #13
6-Feb	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	Small Group Session #14
13-Feb	4:30 - 7:30 p.m.	<b>4:30 to 5:30 p.m. teens attend Youth Mass with their groups.</b> Small Group Session #15 (5:30 – 7:30)
<b>20-Feb</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>NO SESSION – PRESIDENT’S DAY</b>
<b>TBD</b>	<b>LEADERS, CANDIDATES &amp; SPONSORS*</b>	Confirmation rehearsal and Confirmation ceremony

**\*SESSIONS WITH SPONSORS** – If your sponsor is not able to attend a session for both Candidate and Sponsor, a parent should attend in their place.

**\*\*ALL Confirmation candidates** must attend the Discipleship retreat. **Choose ONE of the two** weekends, Aug. 27-29 or Sept. 24-26.



# The Role of a Sponsor

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During the time of preparation, sponsors are expected to take an active role in the life of the candidate. This demands time, commitment and willingness to share their faith with the candidate, but also presents a unique and valuable opportunity to deepen both their relationship with a young person and their own faith life.

## The sponsor is asked to:

- ▶ Engage in faith-sharing conversation with the candidate regularly throughout the preparation process.
- ▶ Attend Mass with the candidate whenever possible. Encourage him/her to become actively involved in the life of the parish (e.g. participate in various ministries).
- ▶ Remain engaged in the faith life of the newly confirmed, continuing to share prayer, insights, and support as the young person continues his or her journey of faith beyond Confirmation.
- ▶ Throughout this time of preparation, sponsors should seek to support candidates and their families. They should help the candidates become aware of their reasons for wanting to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- ▶ **Attend the small group Confirmation session on Sunday, Oct. 10, 2021, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**, with your candidate. *(It is strongly preferred that sponsor attend. However, if a sponsor is not able to attend, a parent should attend in their place. If sponsor is only able to participate virtually, we will do our best to accommodate that.)*
- ▶ Be present for the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation.  
*(if a sponsor is not able to attend, a parent should attend in their place)*
  - Date TBD at 7 p.m.** - Rehearsal in the church
  - Date and time TBD** - Ceremony in the church



# Choosing a Sponsor

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Each candidate, with the help of his/her parents, is responsible for choosing a sponsor. At Baptism, parents chose two sponsors (godparents) for their child – people who made a commitment to be an example of the faith and help raise him/her in the Catholic way of life. For Confirmation, the candidate again invites someone to serve as a sponsor to help him/her live out his/her Baptismal promises.

## **In choosing a sponsor, candidates should choose someone who:**

- ▶ Is willing to help guide them to understand and appreciate the Sacrament of Confirmation and to help them discern their intentions for receiving it.
- ▶ Is willing to mentor the candidate throughout the preparation process by encouraging him/her to pray and participate in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and by encouraging him/her to become actively involved in the life of their parish community.
- ▶ Is willing to engage in the candidate's spiritual journey through periodic meetings for the purpose of faith-sharing.
- ▶ Is willing to be engaged with the candidate on his/her faith journey, throughout the Confirmation process **and** after the candidate is confirmed.

Sponsors are to be chosen because of their ability to “apprentice” others into the Catholic way of life. This mentoring involves prayer, celebration of the sacraments, living the Gospel, turning to other Catholics for support and guidance, and studying the faith. The role of the sponsor for Confirmation involves much more than simply standing behind a Confirmation candidate as the bishop confirms. ***In fact, whether or not a sponsor is available to attend the ceremony is much less important than his/her willingness to journey with the candidate and view the role as sponsor as the beginning, or the continuation, of a lasting relationship of mentoring and apprenticeship.***

The Church suggests that, to express more clearly the relationship between Confirmation and Baptism, the baptismal sponsor (godparent) also be the Confirmation sponsor. (However, the candidate may choose an individual other than the baptismal sponsor.) There is no regulation determining that men must be sponsors for boys and women must be sponsors for girls.

## **Canon Law states that a sponsor must:**

- ▶ Be a **BAPTIZED** and **CONFIRMED** Catholic over the age of 16;
- ▶ Be living according to, and an active member of, the Catholic faith;
- ▶ Be an individual **other than the candidate's parent.**



# Confirmation Enrollment Contract

## St. Joan of Arc Parish

### 2021/2022

I request enrollment in the 2021-2022 Confirmation Program at St. Joan of Arc.

Unless I have made arrangements otherwise, I understand that if I have not yet fulfilled the requirements I am lacking by July 31, I will wait another year before entering into the Confirmation Program.

As a Candidate for Confirmation:

- ▶ I whole-heartedly commit to attending **ALL** of the following:
  - A Get-to-Know-You Conversation with the Confirmation Coordinator, Gina Camp in August.
  - The Blessing of the Confirmation Candidates on September 12, at the Youth Mass (4:30 – 5:30 p.m.) (immediately following the Confirmation session).
  - **\*\*\*Discipleship Retreat either August 27-29 or September 24-26, 2021\*\*\*** (Go to <http://bit.ly/SJADiscipleship> to sign up for your preferred weekend.)
  - I will inform my sponsor by August 31 to put the October 10, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. candidate/sponsor session on his/her calendar and I will attend the session with him/her.
  - All the Confirmation sessions - knowing that I may miss ***no more than two*** and I will be responsible for making them up with my leader or the Confirmation Coordinator.
  - The Confirmation Rehearsal – TBD
  - Confirmation ceremony – TBD
  
- ▶ I accept the responsibility for getting myself to Mass **each** Sunday, beginning now (if you have gotten out of the habit), throughout my preparation period and each Sunday thereafter.
  
- ▶ I will return the required forms and fee by June 28, 2021.

***THIS PAGE IS FOR YOUR RECORDS.  
PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THE FOLLOWING PAGE.***

# Confirmation Enrollment Contract

## *Signature Page*

***PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS PAGE***

### CANDIDATE'S AGREEMENT

I understand that Confirmation is **my** choice, not my parents'. If at any time during the preparation period I have doubts about my decision, I will seek the counsel of the Youth Ministry Office or my Confirmation small group leader(s) to discuss my options.

**I have read and fully commit to fulfilling all requirements listed in the Confirmation Enrollment Contract.**

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name printed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT'S AGREEMENT

I understand that my teen has chosen to participate in St. Joan of Arc's Confirmation program for the 2021-22 formation year. I have read this contract and agree to support my teen by bringing him/her to Mass every Sunday, praying for him/her, and by coordinating our family calendar so that my teen is available to attend **all** of the required gatherings, retreats, etc.

**I have read and agree to all requirements in the Confirmation Enrollment Contract.**

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name printed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

***PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS PAGE***