



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2021 INFORMATION & APPLICATION PACKET



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Dear Parish Families –

Welcome to the Sacred Heart Confirmation! We are excited to journey with your family and son or daughter toward the Sacrament of Confirmation and in drawing closer to Christ. In this application packet you will find all the information you need about Confirmation at Sacred Heart. This is truly a special time of spiritual formation for your son or daughter; one that we hope will strengthen your entire family.

In the Catholic Church, the Sacrament of Confirmation is given to the baptized to more perfectly bind the Candidates to God through His Church. Through this sacrament, your child will be enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit to be a true witness of Christ. Confirmation is not a graduation from the faith. Rather it is a “kicking off” point just like it was for the apostles at Pentecost. Preparation for receiving this Sacrament is more than a class your child attends to receive “head knowledge.” Preparation is formation, a personal experience where the social interactions of a community will take that “head knowledge” to their hearts. This is an opportunity for them to deepen their faith and ask God for the grace to live it out in a more real way. The youth who fully enter into this process of formation will have an opportunity to encounter Christ and become his disciples. We hope to encourage the candidates not only go through the motions but to be open to the life changing power of the Holy Spirit.

All Candidates will be required to attend our Confirmation preparation sessions every week. Normally, we would also have a retreat. However this will depend on the state of Covid guidelines during this process. We also recognize that you, as parents, are the first and most important teachers of your son or daughter in matters of faith and morals. So we ask that you would be actively involved in discussing the faith with your child during this season of preparation.

To learn more about the Sacred Heart Confirmation, as well as our Youth Ministry here, we ask each of you to attend a Parent Information Session on Sunday, January 10th from 3pm to 4pm in the Parish Hall. We will review all the components of our Confirmation preparation as well as our Youth Ministry for Middle School and High School. Myself and my team will be available to answer any questions that you may have.

Please know that we are praying for you and your son or daughter as they enter into this new chapter of their faith journey.

Yours in Christ,

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Registration Checklist

Here is a Checklist you can use to see all the components needed to register.

Remember: Faith isn't about checklists, but sometimes you need them to register for things!

- Application and Registration Fee
- Sponsor Form
- Saint Name Form
- Copy of Baptismal Certificate
- Medical Form
- Online Waiver

A Quick Note on Sponsors

Choosing a sponsor is one of the most important steps in Confirmation. The person you choose will be your companion on this journey of faith. They will be expected to be present as a witness when you are confirmed.

For this reason, your sponsor should be a confirmed, practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church. Due to the responsibilities they will undertake, a sponsor must be at least 16 years of age by the time of your Confirmation. If your sponsor is married, the marriage must be recognized by the Church. Your sponsor cannot be your parent or a member of the Confirmation team.

Your sponsor should be someone you trust, someone whose faith you admire, and someone who is supportive of you. It is also recommended that you select a sponsor who can reasonably commit to being involved in the Confirmation process.

*It is preferable that sponsors try to attend as many Confirmation sessions as they can. However, due to Covid guidelines, we may need to restrict in-person attendance to exclusively the candidates. We will be in constant communication with you all about our compliance with any change in guidelines.

Child Protection Policies

Sacred Heart Youth Ministry is in compliance with the Archdiocese of Seattle child protection policies. All adults working directly with our youth are fingerprinted and Virtus trained.

2021 Sacred Heart Confirmation Preparation Schedule

Confirmation Sessions will meet **Sundays from 2:30pm to 4:30pm** in the Parish Hall unless noted otherwise.

Sunday Mass attendance is expected as often as possible under current guidance. The Sunday 5pm Mass is a convenient time to attend immediately following Confirmation preparation.

January

7th Registration is Due (Thursday)

10th Information Meeting – 3:00 PM

17th Session

24th Session

31st Session

February

7th Early Session 12pm-2pm

14th Session

21st Session

28th Session

March

7th Session

14th Session

21st Session

28th Session

April

1st-3rd Triduum (Attend Mass on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil)

4th Easter (No Meeting)

11th Session

18th Adoration and Confession (3 pm)

25th Final Reflection and Q&A (3pm)

May

2nd Confirmation Ceremony (5pm)

Patron Saint Form

Choosing a Saint: All candidates are asked to spend some time thinking and praying about a saint to choose as their patron for their life. Confirmation Saints should be a person they want to be like that teaches them something about how to live as a Catholic Christian. These Saints then become someone who prays for them from heaven for the rest of their lives. When someone is canonized, declared by the Church to be a Saint, the Church is proclaiming that this member of the faithful practiced heroic virtue during their time on earth. Candidates should seek to imitate their patron Saint! For example, my confirmation saint is St. Dominic, and I seek to live out my faith through bolding proclaiming and teaching the good news like he did!

Candidate's Name: _____

For Confirmation, I wish to take this Saint's name: _____

In the space provided below, please write a paragraph about the Saint whose name you've decided on. Describe how this person lived, why this person became a Saint and why you are choosing his or her name for your Confirmation name.

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Sacred Heart Parish
9460 N.E. 14th Street
Bellevue, WA 98004



SPONSOR VERIFICATION
Confidential

Name of the person to receive the Sacrament: _____

If a child, name of parents: _____ and _____

Your name: _____

I am a registered and participating member of _____ (*your parish*)

City: _____ State _____

Check the following that apply to you:

- I am at least 16 years of age.
- I regularly participate in the Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation and strive to take an active role in the life of my parish.
- I strive to live out the Gospel in my daily life and encourage others to do so.
- I promise to support the person I am sponsoring through my continued interest in the development of their Catholic faith, especially through my personal prayer and Christian example.

You must include with this form:

- A photocopy of the Sponsor's Confirmation Certificate
 - Certificates can be obtained from the parish you were confirmed or baptized.
- If married, a photocopy of the Church Marriage Certificate indicating a catholic wedding.

Your signature: _____

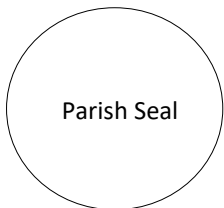
FOR PRIEST OR PASTORAL STAFF AT YOUR PARISH

This section must be completed before returning your form

I verify that the above person is a registered and active member of our parish community.

Pastor/Priest/Pastoral Staff Signature _____

Date _____



Please return to:
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Bellevue, WA 98004
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(425) 454-9536

SACRED HEART PARISH

APPLICATION - Confirmation

Family Last Name _____ Address: _____

Registered Member of Sacred Heart: Y / N _____

Mother/Guardian _____ Cell # _____

Father/Guardian _____ Cell # _____

Family Email for communications (VERY IMPORTANT that you Print Clearly in the space Below)

Youth Name	Gender	Birth Date	Grade	Student cell #
	M F			
School: _____			Please circle sacraments received: Baptism Eucharist	
Youth Name	Gender	Birth Date	Grade	Student cell #
	M F			
School: _____			Please circle sacraments received: Baptism Eucharist	
Program Fees*			Confirmation Preparation \$ _____	
Confirmation..... \$100.00 each teen			Donation to support	
* Scholarships available _____			Sacred Heart Youth Ministry \$ _____	
_____			TOTAL COST: \$ _____	
			Amount Paid: \$ _____	
			Balance Due: \$ _____	

Application Deadline: All forms and essays must be submitted to the parish office no later than Thursday, January 7th

- Application Form
- Sponsor Form
- Patron Saint Form
- Baptism Cert. Copy
- Medical Release
- Online Waiver
- Covid-19 Waiver

Office Use	
CHK # _____	
Amount _____	
Data Base _____	
Rev. 5/19	

Sacred Heart Youth Ministry Medical Form

Liability Waiver, Medical, Transportation & Consent

I voluntarily agree to allow my child to participate in the Sacred Heart Youth Ministry program. I understand there are activities involved and there are risks involved in activities. These activities will take place under the guidance and direction of employees/volunteers from Sacred Heart Church. I also understand that my child's participation may require transportation to/from event sites and this transportation is arranged by my parish/school leaders. I agree to hold harmless and defend Sacred Heart Parish and School, its staff and teachers, and the Archdiocese of Seattle, its employees associated with the activities, from any claim arising from or in connection with my attending the event or in connection with any illness or injury (including death) or cost of medical treatment in connection therewith, and I agree to compensate my parish/school named above, its staff and teachers, associated with the activities, for reasonable attorney's fees and expenses which they may incur in any action brought against them as a result of such injury or damage.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Emergency Medical Treatment

If you are unable to reach parent/guardian or the emergency contact person, I hereby grant permission for the doctor and hospital to exercise professional judgment in treating my child.

Medical/Hospital Insurance Carrier _____

Name of Policy Holder _____

Relation to child _____

Policy Number _____ Group Number _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Medical Information

Child: _____

Drug Allergies: _____

Other Allergies/reactions (food, plants, insects, etc.)

List any other health problems/limitations:

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Youth Ministry programming for our parish may move to an online video/audio platform if required to cease in-person meetings due to safety and social distancing orders that come into effect for our archdiocese. We will be using Zoom video conferencing services and ensuring we meet all safety criteria by monitoring all sessions and having two Safe Environment Certified Adults present during all session / online interactions between youth and parish staff and volunteers.

To have your child participate, please review the Youth Code of Conduct for online program participation and sign the permission form electronically.

Code of Conduct for Youth Participants (Online Programming)

In order to assure the safe and successful participation of youth and adults participating in parish online programming in the Archdiocese of Seattle, the following code of conduct is to be followed. Violation of these norms may result in dismissal/denied access for future online sessions. All participants are expected to:

1. Follow Youth Minister or Adult Leader instructions at all times;
2. Dress appropriately;
3. All participants must login under their real name. Anybody logging in under an assumed name will be dismissed and denied further access.
4. Refrain from behavior or using language that is inappropriate. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. bad language;
 - b. presentation of inappropriate images or music;
 - c. visible use or possession of alcohol, illegal drugs, or weapons;
 - d. disruptive actions that are tantamount to bullying, harassment, or verbal abuse.

I, the parent/guardian of _____, grant

permission for my child/ren to participate in the Sacred Heart online youth ministry programming under the direction and guidance of the youth minister/program volunteers.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Full Name:

Email:

Phone number:

OR:

I do not give permission for my child to participate.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Full Name:

Email:

Phone number:

Archdiocese of Seattle

Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/COVID-19

NAME (print): _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

ACTIVITY/PROGRAM: Confirmation Preparation 2021

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2021: Sacramental Preparation for Confirmation at Sacred Heart Church in Bellevue, WA

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is reported to be extremely contagious. The state of medical knowledge is evolving, but the virus is believed to spread from person-to-person contact and/or by contact with contaminated surfaces and objects, and even possibly in the air. People reportedly can be infected and show no symptoms and therefore spread the disease. The exact methods of spread and contraction are unknown, and there is no known treatment, cure, or vaccine for COVID-19. Evidence has shown that COVID-19 can cause serious and potentially life threatening illness and even death.

Sacred Heart Church cannot prevent you [or anyone] from becoming exposed to, contracting, or spreading COVID-19 while participating in Confirmation Preparation 2021. It is not possible to prevent against the presence of the disease. Therefore, if you choose to participate in Confirmation Preparation 2021 you may be exposing yourself to and/or increasing your risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I have read and understood the above warning concerning COVID-19. I hereby choose to accept the risk of contracting COVID-19 for myself and/or my children and/or any extended family in order to participate in Confirmation Preparation 2021 of Sacred Heart Church. I accept the risk of being exposed to, contracting, and/or spreading COVID-19 while participating in CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2021.

WAIVER OF LAWSUIT/LIABILITY: I hereby forever release and waive my right to bring suit against (Organization) and its owners, officers, directors, managers, officials, trustees, agents, employees, or other representatives in connection with exposure, infection, and/or spread of COVID-19 while participating in CONFIRMATION PREPARATION 2021. I understand that this waiver means I give up my right to bring any claims including for personal injuries, death, disease or property losses, or any other loss, including but not limited to claims of negligence and give up any claim I may have to seek damages, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS RELEASE, AND FREELY AND KNOWINGLY ASSUME THE RISK AND WAIVE MY RIGHTS CONCERNING LIABILITY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE:

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(if under 18): _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ **PHONE:** _____