

Confirmation Dates 2017-2018

Sunday Night Session Curriculum

We use the "Decision Point" program from *Dynamic Catholic*. The content videos which provide the source for small group discussion can all be viewed by parents online at <http://dynamiccatholic.com/confirmation/>

Through the course of the year we will use some but not all of the videos.



But it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us, by putting his seal on us and giving us his Spirit in our hearts as a first installment.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22

Parent Information Meeting:

- Sept. 24 at 7:00pm in the church

Sunday Night Prep Sessions: 7:15pm-8:30pm

- **Sept. 24 in the Emmaus Center**
- Oct. 8, 22 and 29
- Nov. 12 and 19
- Dec. 10
- Jan. 21—Sponsor Information Due
- **Jan. 28 in the Emmaus Center**
- Feb. 11 and 25
- Mar. 11— Journal Reflections due

Retreat:

- Mar. 18, 12:00pm to 8:00pm at St. Christopher in the Emmaus Center.

Rehearsal for Mass:

- April 8 at 7:00pm in the church
- Sponsors and youth must be present. If it is too difficult for the sponsor to attend, a parent must be present to fill in.

Confirmation Mass:

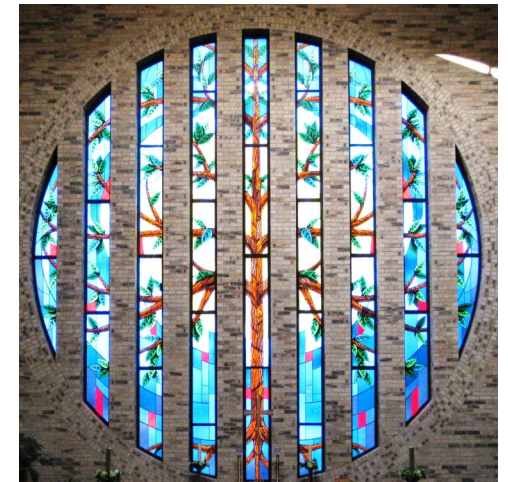
- April 15 at the 6:00pm Mass
- Youth & Sponsors arrive to church at 5:30pm

Any youth who was Baptized at a church other than St. Chris must include a copy of the Baptismal Certificate

- ⇒ If you can't find it, don't worry. Call the Baptizing church and ask them to make a new one.
- ⇒ Please give us a copy even if you gave a copy to the church or school back when your child received their First Eucharist.
- ⇒ We need the copy because all Sacramental records are permanently kept at the Baptizing parish. Therefore after Confirmation, we will notify the Baptizing parishes to update their records.

St. Chris Youth Ministry High School Confirmation

For 10th grade and older



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Confirmation: Need to Know Information....

GUIDELINES FOR THE SERVICE REQUIREMENT

- Choose to do an act of service and/or outreach that is significantly above and beyond the normal routine.
- Can be service opportunities through St. Chris
 - Summer Mission Trip
 - Vacation Bible School
 - CYO assistant coach
 - Assist with the Sunday morning Early Childhood program
 - Many more...
- Can be service opportunities through school
 - Service clubs at school
 - Fundraisers for those in need or those who are ill
 - Various others.....
- Can be within the Greater Dayton community (on your own, with friend(s) and/or with family)
 - House of Bread Soup Kitchen
 - St. Patrick's Soup Kitchen in Troy
 - Boys and Girls Club
 - Free tutoring or coaching
 - Animal shelters
 - Visits with the elderly
 - Free music lessons to children
 - Reading to children
 - And the list goes on and on and on.....

Upon completion of the service, youth will submit a reflection page located in the journal. (see right panel for journal information)

GUIDELINES FOR CHOOSING A CONFIRMATION NAME

- This is the name the bishop will use for the anointing with the holy oil (Chrism) at Confirmation.
- One may choose to use his/her baptismal name to demonstrate the connection between Baptism and Confirmation. *Your baptismal name is your first name—the name you commonly go by.*
- One may choose the name of a saint whose actions in life are particularly inspiring because of how they emulate Christ.
- One may choose the name of a loved one whose life is particularly Christ like.



ABOUT THE RETREAT

- The Retreat is a one day experience for the youth to spend time together in the name of our Faith.
- Time will be spent sharing faith, praying and having fun together.
- Snacks and meal are provided and the Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered.
- Based on past experience we have discovered that while the retreat may be viewed apprehensively by the kids, by the end of the day they've had a great time and know it was worth the investment of their day.

GUIDELINES FOR CHOOSING A SPONSOR

- Must complete a Journal Booklet with the youth. (see below)
- Must be an adult practicing Catholic
- Must be someone whose lifestyle embraces Catholicism
- Should be someone with whom youth has an open and honest relationship and with whom youth feels comfortable having conversation.
- Can be male, female, family or friend
- Must be someone other than parent

ABOUT THE YOUTH/SPONSOR JOURNAL

- The Journal is a booklet divided into three sessions. Each session discusses an important aspect of our faith life.
- Each session is designed to open up discussion between the youth and his/her sponsor. This discussion is meant to be a faith discovery process in which both people share openly and honestly.
- Sessions should ideally take place face to face in three meetings however they can be done all at once if the sponsor lives far away.
- Meetings need to be arranged on your time but must be completed by the date of the last Sunday Night Prep Session.
- Youth are required to fill out and turn in a reflection page located in the journal no later than the date of the last Sunday Night Prep Session.
- If you would like to view the journal it is available at stchristopheronline.com