

2024 Confirmation Preparation for Adults

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Overview

Our adult Confirmation preparation process is designed for adults who were baptized in the Catholic Church as young children but have not received the Sacraments of the Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

- Formation sessions take place on **Sundays from 8:30 - 9:45 a.m. in the church basement meeting room (CH-004)**, which can be accessed via either stairwell in the back of the church.
- We ask all candidates and their families to attend the **10:00 a.m. Mass** together immediately following each Sunday morning session.
- Sponsors are encouraged but not required to attend the formation sessions alongside their candidate. Attendance for sponsors *is* required on April 14, April 20 (rehearsal), and April 21 (Confirmation).

2024 Schedule

January 21 Session 1 - Orientation

Copies of the *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults* (USCCA) will be distributed

January 28 Session 2 - Called to Conversion: Encountering Jesus

Read: USCCA Ch. 7, "The Good News: God Has Sent His Son" (p. 77-87)

USCCA Ch. 8, "The Saving Death and Resurrection of Christ" (p. 89-100)

February 4 Session 3 - Who is the Holy Spirit?

Read: USCCA Ch. 9, "Receive the Holy Spirit (Jn 20:22)" (p. 101-110)

February 11 Session 4 - The Grace of Pentecost

Read: USCCA Ch. 10, "The Church: Reflecting the Light of Christ" (p. 111-123)

WED. (optional) **Ash Wednesday**

February 14 Mass at 6:30 p.m., followed by Soup Supper in the Parish Life Center

*Throughout the season of Lent, we encourage you to participate in our **Tuesday Evening Lenten Series**:
Mass at 5:00 p.m., soup supper at 5:30 p.m., and speaker at 6:15 p.m. (childcare available)*

February 18 No class (Presidents' Day weekend)

February 25 Session 5 - Baptism & Confirmation

Read: USCCA Ch. 15, "Baptism: Becoming a Christian" (p. 181-199)

USCCA Ch. 16, "Confirmation: Consecrated for Mission" (p. 201-211)

March 3 Session 6 - The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Read: USCCA Ch. 18, "Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation" (p. 233-247)

March 10 **Session 7 - The Eucharist** *(don't forget that Daylight Savings Time begins today!)*
Read: USCCA Ch. 17, "The Eucharist: Source and Summit of the Christian Life" (p. 213-232)

TUESDAY Lent Penance Service

March 12 Lenten Speaker at 6:15 p.m. followed by individual Confessions
*** *If you are unable to attend, please coordinate with Ashley to make a plan to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to your Confirmation.* ***

FRIDAY, March 15

Deadline for submission of **Confirmation Information Sheet** to the SPX Religious Education office (including a recent copy of baptismal certificate and selection of a Confirmation name)

March 17 **Session 8 - The Church: Guided by the Spirit**
Read: USCCA Ch. 11, "The Four Marks of the Church" (p. 125-139)

March 24 **Session 9 - Called to Holiness**
Read: USCCA Ch. 23, "Life in Christ - Part One" (p. 307-321)

*We encourage you to participate in the many beautiful liturgies of **Holy Week and the Triduum!**
Check the bulletin for details.*

March 31 No class (Easter Sunday)

April 7 **Session 10 - Gifts & Fruits of the Holy Spirit**
Read: "A Life with Jesus" from *The 99 Handbook* by Mark Hart & Joel Stepanek

April 14 **Session 11 - The Rite of Confirmation** ***Sponsors required to attend***
Watch: *Sent by the Spirit* Episode 3, "The Rite of Confirmation" (40:44) on FORMED.org (instructions for accessing FORMED are at <https://stpius.net/resources>)

SATURDAY Confirmation Rehearsal ***Sponsors required to attend***
April 20 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gym

SUNDAY Confirmation Mass with Bishop Rhoades
April 21 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at Saint Pius (candidates and sponsors arrive by **1:20 p.m.**)

TUESDAY (optional) Closing Mass & Potluck (with Becoming Catholic group)
April 30 Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by a potluck in the Parish Life Center (families are invited!)

Questions? Please contact Ashley Logsdon, Director of Adult Faith Formation,
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