

**SHEPHERD OF THE VALLEY CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**~ SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION MASS ~**

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**:: LOGISTICAL DETAILS ::**

*Friday, May 9th, 2025*

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<b>@ 5:30pm CHECK IN</b> <b>Candidates &amp; Sponsors</b> SoV Parish Hall (Parents can get seats in church or wait in car)	<b>@ 6:30pm MASS</b> <b>Presider Archbishop Sample</b> SoV Catholic Church (Overflow seating available in Parish Hall for livestream)	<b>LIGHT RECEPTION</b> <b>Immediately Following</b> SoV Parish Hall ProPhotos w/ the Archbishop Pick up Confirmation Certificate
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**:: SUITABLE ATTIRE FOR CANDIDATES & SPONSORS ::**

*White with Red Accents are the Traditional Colors*

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At the Sacrament of Baptism we wear special gowns, the Sacrament of First Communion we wear white dresses or suits, at our Marriage we wear formal gowns or tuxedos. Thus, it is fitting to dress in celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation as well.

**Traditionally, Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation wear White with Red Accents at the celebration of the Mass.** The liturgical color for Confirmation is red, to signify the Holy Spirit who confirmed the apostles on Pentecost and gave them courage to practice their faith. Catholics believe that the same Holy Spirit confirms us during the Sacrament of Confirmation and gives us the same gifts. Therefore, it is suggested that Candidates wear some red on this special day. For young men, it is traditional to wear a red tie. For young ladies, a red dress, a red sweater or other accent is suggested. White is also acceptable. Red and White is requested but not required.

While the church greatly respects the uniqueness and individuality in each of its members, it holds that modesty is a fruit of the Holy Spirit and that *“Teaching modesty to children and adolescents means awakening in them respect for the human person.”* (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2524) It is in this spirit of fostering respect for each other and for sanctity of the Sacrament of Confirmation that we set forth a code of dress consistent with our culture’s view of modesty. Semi-formal, modest attire is appropriate to the solemn beauty of this occasion.

**MEN - Candidates & Sponsors**

What to Wear:

- Long sleeved dress shirt
- Dress pants
- Tie
- Dress Shoes

Inappropriate Attire:

- Baggy pants
- Tee shirts
- Novelty neckties (e.g., cartoon char, logos, etc)
- Sneakers
- Formal Tuxedos
- No “confirmation stoles” permitted

**WOMEN - Candidate & Sponsors**

What to Wear:

- Dress / skirt that covers knees (or dress pants)
- Shirts or dresses should be semi formal
- Sweaters or wraps to cover bare shoulders
- Nice shoes

Inappropriate Attire:

- Anything low cut or see through, exposes abdomen or sides, exposes your shoulders
- Mini skirts (above knee) & Body Contour Dress
- Jean skirts or other casual skirts
- Sneakers
- Formal Gowns (prom or homecoming dresses)
- No “confirmation stoles” permitted

Candidate Note: *makeup on the forehead should be  
\*\*avoided\*\* as it pollutes the Sacred Chrism*