



# The Family of Saint Gerald

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## 2024 Confirmation Week

### Confessions Schedule

REY Students – Saturday, March 16, 2024, after 5pm Mass  
St Gerald School Students – Monday, March 18, 2024, during school

All students must make a full confession before making their Confirmation on March 23rd. If students miss these confession days, parents are to find a parish, other than St Gerald, and have their child make their confession. A signed bulletin from a priest or photo with the priest is to be emailed to the REY office as proof of confession.

### Confirmation Practice

St Gerald Church, Thursday, March 21, 2024, from 6:00-7:00 pm

Please plan on coming 15 minutes early. We'll start by lining up (Confirmandi and Sponsors) in Arnold Hall. If the sponsor is not able to attend, an adult must be present in their place. Parents and children are welcome to attend.

### Confirmation Day Schedule

St Gerald Church, Saturday, March 23, 2024, Enter through the front doors

**Total #of guests per Student: 8** includes: (1) Confirmand, (1) Sponsor, (2) parents, (4) guests

**Arrival time:** 12:00 pm

**-Families** are to enter through the front of the church, all other doors will be locked. Each family on the list will be allowed 8 total guests plus any additional guests that are approved through the REY office. Once all families have checked in, the doors will be open to the public. Our goal is to make sure that all families have access to a seat on their child's big day.

*Please email the REY office if you will not be using all 8 of your seats.  
Please email the REY office if you require an additional seat.*

**-Students** are to go directly to Arnold Hall, get their "Confirmation Name Pin" and pin it on their left shoulder. Student will remain in Arnold Hall and wait for the Bishop.

**Bishop visits with Confirmandi:** 12:20-12:50 pm

**Sponsors & Confirmandi line-up:** 12:50 pm

**Ceremony Begins:** 1:00 pm (sharp)

### Photography

A professional photographer will capture each child as they're confirmed. Photos can be purchased after the ceremony in Arnold Hall. Family members are not allowed to walk up to the altar during the ceremony for picture/video taking.

### Photos with the Bishop

Bishop Casey will be available after the ceremony for photo taking with your child/family in the church, in front of the altar. Bring your smartphone or camera.

### Church Dress Attire for Everyone present

On Confirmation Day, everyone's wardrobe is to be modest and reverent. Please remember that we're in God's presence.

#### **LADIES**

- Modest Dresses or Skirts & Tops. They do not need to be white.
- Dresses and skirts should not come above the knee.
- Skirts and tops should be loose-fitting. They should not be low-cut, sleeveless, or exposed to the midriff.
- No spaghetti straps, and plunging necklines that expose the bare shoulders, chest, or back.
- Avoid materials that are see-through or skirts with high slits. Shoes should be dressy but comfortable to walk in.

#### **GENTLEMEN**

Please wear dress pants and a shirt (short or long sleeve) with Ties, socks and dress shoes. Optional are Suits, formal jackets, or sports coats. Please avoid wearing hats, gym shoes, or sandals. Shirts are to be tucked inside your slacks.

## **REY Tuition & Sacrament Fees Must Be Paid In Full**

Confirmation week is an extremely busy time and the church relies on your full financial support. Students with an outstanding balance will not be invited to Confirmation.

**We will not be accepting anymore payments after Sunday, March 17, 2024.**  
If you're having financial difficulties, please contact the REY office immediately.

Online Payment can be made at:  
<https://www.givecentral.org/customizable-online-giving/499/event/30962>