



St. Cecilia – Faith Formation

2025 - 2026

Confirmation Preparation Goals

Jesus Christ is the center of our program. Every requirement, lesson, class, and encounter with the students should be for the sole purpose of bringing the student closer to Christ. The day-to-day details of the program, and the class-to-class differences do not matter, as long as Jesus Christ is at the center of it all. We cannot do this alone; Christ must be the center and purpose of everything we do.

➤ Spiritual

- All students are required to attend Sunday mass every week. This is a holy obligation that applies to all Catholics, and no student is excused from this responsibility.
- Personal prayer is a necessary part of the Christian life. Students should strive to cultivate a personal relationship with Jesus. This means having daily personal prayer. Prayer will always be a part of the classroom experience, but it but extend to all parts of a student's life.

➤ Intellectual

- The confirmation program is a catechetical program and there is a great emphasis on the need for intellectual formation of our students. Students are expected to learn the material covered in class, via lecture, reading, multimedia, or any take home work assigned. The primary role of the teacher in the classroom is to teach the truths of our faith without bias, judgment or personal opinion.
- Homework is required for all students. Monthly assignments will be posted and shared for students to complete at their own pace.
- The textbook we will use in class is, *The Catholic Faith Handbook for Youth*. The book is broken into 4 parts and over the two-year program, students should have engaged with the important themes from the book.
 - 7th Grade
 - Part A: The Creed
 - Part B: Liturgy and Sacraments
 - 8th Grade
 - Part C: Christian Morality
 - Part D: Christian Prayer
 - Bishop's Q&A