



Here at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, we strive to support students and parents throughout the Confirmation process.

- Receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation is a 2-year process:
 - All students must complete the Pre-Confirmation classes prior to the Confirmation sacramental preparation class. Students entering 9th grade and older may attend the Pre-Confirmation Class.
 - Students entering the 10th grade and older may attend the Confirmation sacramental preparation class with completion of the Pre-Confirmation class.
- There are 3 meetings with either the Confirmation Coordinator, priests, or Director of Religious Education.
 - The purpose of these meetings is to get to know the families, continual support for each student, and give the catechists feedback on what teachings need to be emphasized or clarified.
 - There will be a meeting at the beginning of the process, the middle of the year, and a final meeting before the Confirmation Mass.
- Parents are highly recommended to attend the Parent Class
- Students are highly encouraged to attend the Confirmation retreat hosted by OLL parish and the Source and Summit retreat hosted by the Diocese of Fort Worth.
- There might be classes in which the Confirmation Sponsors will be requested to join.
 - The invitation will be announced during the year.

For more information, don't hesitate to get in touch with the Confirmation
Instructors
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Aquí en la Iglesia Católica de Nuestra Señora de Lourdes, nos esforzamos por apoyar a los estudiantes y padres durante todo el proceso de Confirmación.

- Recibir el Sacramento de la Confirmación es un proceso de 2 años:
 - Todos los estudiantes deben completar las clases de Pre-Confirmación antes de la clase de preparación sacramental de Confirmación. Los estudiantes que ingresan al grado 9 y mayores pueden asistir a la clase de pre confirmación.
 - Los estudiantes que ingresan al grado 10 y mayores pueden asistir a la clase de preparación sacramental de Confirmación con la finalización de la clase de Pre-Confirmación.
- Hay 3 reuniones con el Coordinador de Confirmación, los sacerdotes o el Director de Educación Religiosa.
 - El propósito de estas reuniones es conocer a las familias, brindar apoyo continuo a cada alumno y retroalimentar a los catequistas sobre qué enseñanzas necesitan ser enfatizadas o aclaradas.
 - Habrá una reunión al comienzo del proceso, a mediados de año y una reunión final antes de la Misa de Confirmación.
- Se recomienda encarecidamente a los padres que asistan a la clase para padres de 9:15 a. m. a 10:15 AM en inglés y de 11:00 AM a 12:00 PM en español.
- Se recomienda encarecidamente a los estudiantes que asistan al retiro de Confirmación organizado por la parroquia de St. Stephen y al retiro de Source and Summit organizado por la Diócesis de Fort Worth.
- Puede haber clases en las que se solicite la participación de los Padrinos de Confirmación.
 - La invitación se anunciará durante el año.

Para obtener más información, no dude en ponerse en contacto con



CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is the completion of baptismal grace, with the special outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon us that we may come to fullness with Christ. The word "Christian" means "Anointed" and comes from that of Christ himself, whom God "anointed with the Holy Spirit".

In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the baptized person is "sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit" and is strengthened for service to the Body of Christ. Anointing with oil during the rite of Confirmation is a sign of consecration and invitation-- or 'opening'--for the Holy Spirit to 'come in' and 'indwell' within us. By this anointing, the confirmand receives the "mark", the seal of the Holy Spirit.

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--it roots us more deeply in the divine filiation, which makes us cry, "Abba! Father!" 117

--it unites us more firmly to Christ;

--it increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us;

--it renders our bond with the Church more perfect; 118

--it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross;11

"Recall then that you have received the spiritual seal, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence, the spirit of holy fear in God's presence. Guard what you have received. God the Father has marked you with his sign; Christ the Lord has confirmed you and has placed his pledge, the Spirit, in your hearts."120

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/___P3S.HTM