

Confirmation Requirements Checklist

Candidates are expected to attend all classes and activities and complete all Confirmation Assignments.

Students who do not meet expectations regarding attendance and completion of assignments will be reviewed to determine their readiness for Confirmation.

Any assignment may be turned in early.

Due dates listed are the latest that assignments should be submitted.

	Choose your sponsor THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT SPONSOR'S NAME IS REQUIRED FOR REGISTRATION	Before October 9 th
	Confirmation Meeting (Parents & Candidates expected to attend) Saint James Cafeteria: 7:00pm	Wednesday, Oct. 2nd
	Register for Confirmation (Religious Ed and Saint James students) Sponsor's name is required for registration	Wednesday, Oct. 9 th
	Confirmation Ice Breaker Thompson Park: 4:00pm to 6:00pm	Friday, Oct. 11th
	Confirmation Candidate's Commitment Letter	REP Sun, Oct. 20 th SJS Mon, Oct. 21 st
	Letter Requesting Confirmation	REP Sun, Nov. 10 th SJS Mon, Nov. 11 th
	Confirmation Sponsor Eligibility Form	REP Sun, Dec. 15 th SJS Mon, Dec. 16 th
	Confirmation Saint Report	REP Sun, Jan. 12 th SJS Mon, Jan. 13 th
	Confirmation Movie Night BSA: 3:30pm to 5:30pm	Saturday, Feb. 8th
	Confirmation Service Project and Essay	REP Sun, Feb 23 rd SJS Sun, Feb 24 th
	Parish Family Penance Service <i>Saint James Church: 9:30am to 10:30am</i> NO REP on Sunday, March 9th	Saturday, March 8th
	Confirmation Retreat and Mass with Rite of Enrollment At least one parent is expected to attend the Mass (noon to 1:15) Saint Mary's Church, Holmdel 8:30am to 1:30pm NO REP for 8 th grade	Saturday, April 5 th
	Confirmation Practice Session 1: 4:00pm Session 2: 5:00pm St. James Church	Thurs, May 8 th
	Confirmation Session 1: 9:30am Session 2: 11:30am St. James Church	Saturday, May 10th

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PARENT/GUARDIAN WORKSHOPS

In order to aid parent(s)/guardian(s) as the primary teachers of the child, there will be scheduled parent meetings for those parents who have children registered in Grade 2 (Sacraments of Reconciliation (Penance) and First Holy Communion) and Grade 8 (Sacrament of Confirmation). The schedule for these workshops can be found in the REP Calendar.

These workshops are designed for the parent(s)/guardian(s) to increase their knowledge of the individual sacrament and to give information on how to assist their child in preparing for the sacraments. Important information regarding the theology of the sacrament, as well as guidelines and necessary forms, will be given during these workshops. ***At least one parent or guardian is expected to attend each workshop given prior to the child's reception of each sacrament.***

THE LITURGICAL LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

The Mass, the Eucharistic celebration, is the source and summit of our Catholic faith.

Regular family Mass attendance reinforces and puts into practice the faith and formal instruction presented in the classroom.

Religious Education classes are not meant to be a substitute for attendance at Mass.

The St. James Mass schedule found in the Parish bulletin offers ample opportunity for families to celebrate the Eucharist before or after the class meeting schedule.

In addition to the regular Mass schedule, there are many other opportunities to practice our faith such as Adoration and praying the Stations of the Cross during Lent.

We also encourage parent(s)/guardian(s) to provide opportunities for their child to *frequent the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation once they have received this sacrament for the first time. To assist families in this endeavor, a Family Penance Service is scheduled in the spring. Please check the REP Calendar for the specific date.*