

Confirmation Parent 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. Teen Masses are optional.

	Register for Confirmation (Religious Ed and Saint James students) Baptismal Certificate is REQUIRED at time of registration for ALL students who were NOT baptized at St. James	Wednesday, Oct. 7th
	Confirmation Retreat and Mass with Rite of Enrollment <i>At least one parent is expected to attend the Mass (noon to 1:15)</i> Saint Mary's Church, Colts Neck, 8:30am to 1:30pm	TENTATIVE DATE: Saturday, Oct 24th
	TEEN Mass 5:30pm St. James Church	Saturday, Oct. 17th
	LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR CONFIRMATION	SATURDAY, NOV 7TH
	TEEN Mass 5:30pm St. James Church	Saturday, Nov. 14 th
	Confirmation Sponsor Eligibility Form This is only required for families who ARE NOT registered at St. James	Mon, Nov. 16 th
	TEEN Mass & Christmas Tree Lighting with Hot Cocoa in the Atrium 5:30pm St. James Church	Saturday, Dec. 12 th
	Permission Letter from registered parish This is only required for families who ARE NOT registered at St. James	Mon, Dec. 14 th
	TEEN Mass 5:30pm St. James Church	Saturday, Jan. 16 th
	Parish Family Penance Service Saint James Church: 9:30am to 10:30am	Saturday, Mar. 13th
	TEEN Mass 5:30pm St. James Church	Saturday, Mar. 20 th
	TEEN Mass 5:30pm St. James Church	Saturday, Apr. 17 th
	<i>Mystagogy</i>	<i>REP Sunday, May 16th</i>
	Confirmation Practice St. James Church Session 1: 4:00 Session 2: 5:00pm	Thursday, May 20 th
	<i>Confirmation</i> St. James Church Session 1: 9:30am Session 2: 11:30am	Saturday, May 22 nd

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.**