



CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Dear Confirmation Candidates and Family,

The Confirmation retreat is often a big step for a Confirmation candidate. It is an occasion where they take their faith outside of its normal environment and express it in another forum. This is a further step towards the moment of Confirmation where the aim is that they will be able to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never be ashamed of the Cross'. (CCC 1303)

The retreat experience allows the candidate a time and space 'set apart' from normal life to be intentionally with God and with each other. It is often through a retreat process, that the young person is able to have a personal encounter with the Lord Jesus and to discover a personal connection to the love of God and His Church. The retreat is thus an opportunity for them to listen, to contemplate what God is calling them to and to respond to God speaking into their heart.

The Confirmation Retreat will be on **Saturday, August 24, 2019**. Students are to arrive at **8:30 AM** in the Parish Center (enter through alley side door). Donuts and juice/milk will be served for breakfast and Lunch will be included. We will end the retreat with **5:00 PM Mass**. Candidates families are invited to join us, students will be released following Mass. Please mark your calendar because this retreat is **mandatory** for Confirmation!

To help make retreat possible, all students are needed to bring the following snack to share:

CCD Girls- *salty snack (bag of chips, pretzels, etc.)* CCD Boys- *soda (2 liter)*

SJS Girls- *sweets/dessert (cookies, brownie, etc.)* SJS Boys- *healthy snack (vegetables, fruit, etc.)*

Parents please respond either by e-mail or phone to let me know that you have received this information. Include candidate's shirt size (XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL) in message.

Thank you!

God Bless,
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