

St James Confirmation Information Night, 2017



Preparation-completed during lessons

- The focus will be on Social Justice, Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit, Spirit-filled people, how to serve others.
- These concepts are covered at school and in the Parish Confirmation Program
- There will be some homework tasks. Throughout the preparation, students will be asked to perform a simple act of kindness for others.
- Please send in a copy of Baptism and First Eucharist certificate if you are new to the School/Parish.

Prayer Partner Letters

- Children will write a letter to explain a bit about themselves and their Confirmation. These will be placed in the back of the Church on the 24th and 25th of June.
- Parishioners are asked to select a letter and reply to it. These will need to be returned to the Church, Presbytery or School by Wednesday 2nd August.
- The reply letters will be handed out to the children on the preparation day.

Confirmation Preparation Day Tuesday 8th August

- Start time will be 9am, with 3.15pm pick up for students from other schools.
- Students will participate in activities relevant to their preparation and the Confirmation Mass will be practiced.
- Meeting with Bishop Elliott where he will ask the children about their Confirmation name.
- Prayer partner reply letters will be distributed to the students.
- Wear casual clothes and bring a drink bottle, packed snack and lunch.

Preparation - organised at home

Choose a Sponsor

- Must be a Confirmed Catholic over the age of 16.
- Some choose a grandparent/family friend/ Godparent/ cousin etc.

Choose a Confirmation Name

- Saint name, some children choose their Christian name.
- Some research is required, as we encourage all students to look for a saint who is a role model or inspires them.

Complete a Confirmation Record Form

- Your child's Confirmation is kept on record at the Parish Office. Please complete the attached record form. We will require details regarding the sponsor, place of baptism, etc.
- All candidates are required to fill this out.



Confirmation Mass

- Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th August at 7pm at St Joan of Arc.
- You will need to go onto the St James Website and click on the 'School Bookings' link on the homepage. There are limited numbers for each mass – First in, best dressed
- **Booking Code: 3n7zx**
- Bookings open 9am, Wednesday 21st June.
- Children sit with their sponsor at the front of the Church, families behind.
- The dress code is something befitting a special occasion.

Confirmation Record Form



Name in Confirmation: _____

Full Name of Child: _____

Address: _____

Age (at time of Confirmation): _____

Father's Full Name: _____

Mother's Full (Maiden) Name: _____

Baptised at (Church and address): _____

on _____ By: _____

Sponsors Full Name: _____ (Must be confirmed)