



## Catholic School Student Confirmation Preparation Packet

We welcome parents and candidates to Confirmation preparation!

As a parish we want to journey with our candidates as they prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation which brings them into full communion with the Church. Your student's faith journey will be nurtured toward understanding and living their faith. It will be a time of searching, challenging, learning, and resolving their faith. Your active support and encouragement will enhance the process. As your child's relationship with Christ and with our parish communities grow, they will look to you as their example.

Weekly Mass attendance is very important. Our Church is a worshipping community. Faith and worship are closely linked. Faith brings the community together to worship; and in worship faith is renewed. The Church celebrates Christ's life, death, and Resurrection in its liturgy. It proclaims its faith in His presence in the Church, in His Word, in the sacramental celebrations; it gives praise and thanks, asks for the things it needs, and strengthens itself to carry out its commission to be witnesses to do service. It is VITAL that students see faith development as LIFE-LONG, and that one must strive continuously to grow in faith, throughout adulthood. Our faith journey does not end as long as we are living.

In this packet you will find important information with details about our Confirmation program. We are here to walk with you and your family through this special year of preparation. Please reach out to us if you have any questions, concerns or special situations that need to be considered. We will be praying for your family and are here to help support you on your journey.

Blessings,

Marianne Boesch

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## Catholic School Student Confirmation Prep 2023/24

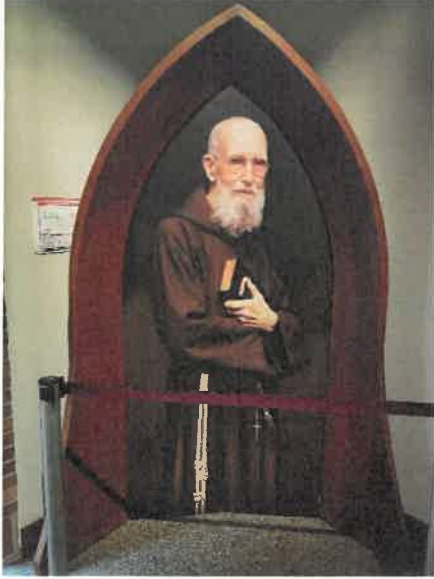
As you register for this sacramental preparation class, God is asking your child to dedicate 9 hours of this year to prepare themselves to receive the Holy Spirit. We assume, as their parents, this preparation is important to you and you'll set an example with priorities. To assist you we'll gladly provide a religious freedom letter to coaches upon request.

If you're not able to fully set aside this time for God due to other commitments, we ask that you sign up for Confirmation preparation when there are no conflicts in your schedule.

All you need to know may be found online : <https://stdanielclarkston.org/confirmation>

Date	Event / Requirement Deadline	Location
<b>Sept. 24</b>	<b>Mandatory student and parent orientation</b>	Attend 11am Mass at St. Daniel, meet from 12-1 pm in Social Hall
Nov 1	Sponsor chosen & recorded online	
Nov 1	Baptismal certificate due to Faith Formation office if student was not baptized at St. Anne or St. Daniel	
<b>Nov 12</b>	<b>Mandatory student and sponsor meeting</b>	Attend 11am Mass at St. Daniel, meet from 12-1 pm in Social Hall
Feb 1	Permission form due for March trip due	
Mar 9	Exploring Your Faith Field Trip 12-4:30pm Solanus Casey Center	
<b>or</b>		
Mar 16	Exploring Your Faith Field Trip 9am-2pm Solanus Casey Center	
Apr 1	Confirmation name chosen. Record online.	
May 2024	Student and parent interviews-dates/times to be determined, you'll sign up through SignUp Genius	St. Daniel
May 2024	Rehearsal with sponsor, date & time to be determined	St. Daniel church
May 2024	Confirmation Mass, date & time provided when received from Bishop	St. Daniel church





## Confirmation Year 2 Exploring Your Faith Together Trip

Share this information with your sponsor now!



**Who** Candidates and their sponsor or an adult if sponsor isn't available.

**Why** To provide sponsors and Candidates time together to experience a different aspect of our Catholic faith. Blessed Solanus is on his way to becoming a Saint!

**When** **Saturday, March 9, 2024, or Saturday, March 16, 2024**

**What** Sign up Genius link will be sent in January 2024 to choose a date:

### March 9, 2024

12 pm depart St. Daniel  
1 pm tour of Solanus Casey Center  
Light snack provided  
3:30 pm depart & return to St. Daniel  
4:00 pm wrap up at St. Daniel until 4:30pm

### March 16, 2024

9 am depart St. Daniel  
10 am tour of Solanus Casey Center  
Lunch provided  
12:30 pm depart & return to St. Daniel  
1:30 pm wrap up at St. Daniel until 2 pm

**Cost** none

*This trip was generously subsidized by the Men of St. Daniel and St. Anne & St. Daniel Knights of Columbus*

**Permission forms due to Faith Formation office by February 1, 2024**

You may return a completed hard copy, scan the form or take a clear photo and email it to [shudson@stdanielclarkston.org](mailto:shudson@stdanielclarkston.org)

We require that everyone rides the buses we've hired; it makes it easier to account for participants. This trip is counted as part of Confirmation preparation. Students must attend the entire event to receive credit for it.

**PARENT PERMISSION FORM FOR FIELD TRIP PARTICIPATION**  
**Year 2 Confirmation Exploring Your Faith Together**

St. Daniel Catholic Church

Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Your child is eligible to participate in a catechetical or youth ministry sponsored activity requiring transportation to a location away from the parish premises. This activity will take place under the guidance and supervision of volunteers from St. Daniel Parish. A brief description of the activity follows:

**Name of Event:** **Year 2 Confirmation Exploring Your Faith Together**

**Destination:** **Solanus Casey Center, Detroit**

**Designated Supervisor of Activity:** **Marianne Boesch**

**Date and Time of Departure:** **Saturday, March 9, 2024 or Saturday, March 16, 2024**

**Method of Transportation:** **School bus**

**Student Cost:** **\$0**

Sign, and return the bottom half of this statement of consent and release of liability to the parish by **February 1, 2024**. As parent or legal guardian, you remain fully responsible for the actions and conduct of your child.

**STATEMENT OF CONSENT**

**Event: Year 2 Confirmation Exploring Your Faith Together**

I hereby consent to participation by my child \_\_\_\_\_ in the event described above scheduled for **(circle one) March 9, 2024 or March 16, 2024**. I understand that this event will take place away from the parish grounds and that my child will be under the supervision of the designated parish employee on the stated dates. I further consent to the conditions stated above on participation in this event, including the method of transportation.

In consideration of my child being allowed to participate in this event, I hereby agree on behalf of myself and my child, to release St. Daniel Parish, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit, any and all affiliated organizations, their employees, agents, representatives, including volunteer drivers (collectively "Releasees"), from any and all claims, including negligence, which may be asserted by me or my child, or on behalf of my child, arising from or relating to my child's participation in the field trip. In the event this release on behalf of myself and/or my child is held to be invalid or unenforceable, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees from any and all claims, including negligence which may be asserted by me or my child, or on behalf of my child, arising from or relating to my child's participation in the field trip. This release of indemnification does not apply to claims for intentional misconduct or gross negligence; nor does this release or indemnification apply to the extent of commercial insurance coverage for any claim, but this Release or Indemnification shall apply to the extent of any self-insurance or deductible applicable to any claim.

During the event I can be reached at this phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Parent's Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent's Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_



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# Confirmation Year 2 Study Guide

All candidates will attend an in-person interview in April or May. Candidates will bring a parent or adult family member with them. This interview is to ensure that all candidates have been properly prepared to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

Be prepared for your interview! All candidates are required to know and understand basic Catholic information and prayers. To help you prepare, here is a study guide. We encourage you to pray daily and study this information with your parents and sponsor.



St. Anne & St. Daniel Confirmation Prep

# Confirmation Study Guide

## Why do you wish to be confirmed?

### Gifts of the Holy Spirit:

**Wisdom** is the gift of knowing the right choices to make to live a holy life. The gift of wisdom helps you to avoid the things that could lead you away from God.

**Understanding** is the gift of comprehension, or the ability to grasp the meaning of the teachings of the Church. The gift of understanding helps you be tolerant and sympathetic of others. It helps you sense when someone is hurting or in need of compassion.

**Right Judgment, or Counsel**, is the gift of prudence. The gift of right judgment helps you make choices to live as a faithful follower of Jesus.

**Courage, or Fortitude**, is the gift that helps you stand up for your faith in Christ. The gift of courage helps you overcome any obstacles that would keep you from practicing your faith.

**Knowledge** is the gift of knowing and enlightenment. The gift of knowledge enables you to choose the right path that will lead you to God.

**Reverence, or Piety**, is the gift of confidence in God. This gift of reverence inspires you to joyfully want to serve God and others.

**Wonder and Awe, or Fear of the Lord** is the gift of wonder and respect that encourages you to be in awe of God. The gift of wonder and awe moves you to so love God that you do not want to offend him by your words or actions.

## The Holy Family:

God - Father of Jesus  
Joseph- Stepfather of Jesus  
Mary- Jesus' Mother  
Jesus

## Seven Sacraments:

Baptism  
Eucharist  
Confirmation  
Reconciliation  
Anointing of the Sick  
Matrimony  
Holy Orders

## Important Events

When do we celebrate the birth of Jesus?  
A. Christmas

Who Baptized Jesus?  
A. John the Baptist

When do we remember when Jesus first instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper?  
A. Holy Thursday

When do we remember when Jesus died on the cross to save us from sin?  
A. Good Friday

When do we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus?  
A. Easter

When did Jesus return to his father in heaven after the Resurrection?  
A. Ascension

When did the Holy Spirit come upon the disciples appearing as a great wind and tongues of fire?  
A. Pentecost

### **Hail Mary**

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
The Lord is with you!  
Blessed are you among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
Pray for us sinners,  
Now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.

### **Our Father**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
Amen

### **Glory Be**

Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end.  
Amen.

### **Act of Contrition**

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.  
In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I  
have sinned against you whom I should love above  
all things.

I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to  
sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to  
sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for  
us. In his name, my God, have mercy. Amen.

### **10 Commandments**

1. I am the Lord your God: You shall not have  
strange Gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your  
God in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.
4. Honor your father and mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your  
neighbor.
9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

# Confirmation Rehearsal and Mass Information

Confirmation Mass usually lasts about an hour and 20 minutes.

There is a light reception after Mass in the Cushing Center across from church. All are welcome!

Confirmandi dress code: Sunday Mass attire. No jeans, tennis shoes, low cut, off the shoulder, strapless or short dresses.

The Bishop will anoint your forehead with oil; make sure your hair is out of the way!

## Rehearsal

- Confirmandi and their sponsors attend.
- Rehearsal lasts about 45 minutes and is usually a day or two before Confirmation Mass.
- If a sponsor is unable to attend, a parent may stand in.
- Family seating is chosen at rehearsal.
  - Please consider how many will be attending and choose a pew accordingly.
  - Only one pew per family will be reserved. There will be extra seating in the outer sections.
  - Name plaques will be hung on the end of pews so family will be able to find you before Mass!
- Candidates sit on the end of the pew with their sponsor beside them.
- We will need 4 people to carry up the gifts. If you'd like to do so, let the Faith Formation department know and we'll provide instructions after the rehearsal.

## Confirmation Mass

- Please arrive a half hour before Mass.
- Confirmandi, pick up your nametag as you enter the church. It will have your Confirmation name on it.
- Please keep socializing and conversation in the church to a minimum before Mass.
  - We are setting an example for those who are not Catholic, and being respectful to those who would like to pray and ready themselves for Mass. You're welcome to hold conversations outside!
- No food or drink in church, and no gum chewing. Remember to fast (no eating or drinking one hour before Communion).
- Guests who are not Catholic are welcome to come up in the Communion line with their arms crossed to receive a blessing.
- Your Confirmation certificate will be in your pew. Please remember to take it home with you.
- We ask that no photos be taken during Mass. Feel free to take pictures before and after Mass.
- All candidates and their sponsors will process out together at the end of Mass. Walk down the center aisle before the Bishop and priests exit, going to the statue of Mary outside for a group picture which will be emailed to you.
- Please walk over to the Cushing Center for light refreshments after Mass. All your guests are welcome!