

Quick Reference/Important Dates: Confirmation Formation

Full Class Participation

Our classes build upon one another. Attendance is critical for students to be adequately prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Mass Attendance

Weekly Mass attendance is a Chicago Archdiocese requirement for all Confirmation candidates.

(NEW) Service Hours

Students must complete 10 service hours to church (service opportunities provided in the Confirmation handbook & listed on the website) **AND** participate in our sponsored Service Projects.

Church Service hour deadline: March 1, 2026

Family Faith Enrichment (Student w/parent or sponsor)

Monday evenings: 6:30-8pm (2 sessions offered)

Session 1: Oct. 20 & 27, Nov. 3 & 10

Session 2: Jan. 26, Feb. 2, 9, 23

Attendance for all dates in the session is required to receive service hours.

Prayer Service (All classes)

Parents and sponsors are strongly encouraged to attend

December 7, 2025 4:00pm

Sponsor Name:

Year 1 students: *Sponsor choice due by January 11, 2026*

Year 2 students: *Reconfirm sponsor name no later than Nov. 2, 2025*

High School: *Sponsor name due by November 2, 2025*

(NEW) Catechesis Catch-up (CCU): Confirmation students needing Sacraments - Baptism, Reconciliation, and/or First Communion:

REQUIRED- 6 classes: 1st Wed of the month, Oct-Mar, 6-7pm

First Reconciliation: **Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026, 2-3:30pm**

First Communion: **Sunday, Mar 8, 2026, 5pm Mass**

(NEW) Year 1 students will begin exploring saints for their Confirmation which will help them find that special connection to a saint who will be their heavenly guardian throughout their faith journey. **Three (3) short saint reports** will be required throughout the year.

Due dates: 10/26, 1/25, 4/12.

Saint Name(Year 2 & HS only): Due by November 2, 2025

Confirmation Retreat (Y2 & HS)

Saturday, January 17, 2026, 9am-5pm at Prince of Peace, Lake Villa

Parent drop off & pick up required. Lunch & snacks provided. Parents are invited to the end of Retreat Mass. Additional details provided in December.

Sponsor Class (Year 2 and HS students w/sponsor)

January 25, 2026 3:30-6pm (includes Mass)

Additional information will be distributed in December.

Confirmation Interview (Year 2 and HS only).

Multiple dates & times will be offered in **February, 2026**. Date options will be provided in January. Advance sign-up required.

Saint Report (Year 2 and HS only)

Students create and present a poster on the saint they have chosen for their confirmation name. Poster boards will be provided. Refer to Saint Report info in the Confirmation Handbook for directions.

Saint Posters due by March 1, 2026

Bishop Letter (Year 2 and HS only)

Each student is required to write a letter to the Bishop requesting to be confirmed. Refer to Bishop Letter info in the Confirmation Handbook.

Bishop letters must be submitted no later than March 8, 2026

2026 CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL: April 16 at 6:30pm

2026 CONFIRMATION MASS: April 23 at 7pm

Confirmation documents are available in the labeled bin in the lower level gathering space or on the Confirmation page of St. Paul the Apostle Website:

<https://www.saintpaultheapostle.church/confirmationformation>

Please contact the Faith Formation office with any questions or concerns: 847-816-8677 or email us...

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