

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO PARISH

CONFIRMATION 2009-2010

Tentative Schedule

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| Tuesday October 27th Sunday November 8th <i>Information Session</i> | For Candidates and Parent(s): Outline of the Process & Expectations Distribute registration forms—please return with payment by 11/22/09 <i>Sponsors should be chosen by November 22nd session</i> |
| Sunday November 22nd 7:00pm – 8:30pm <i>First Session</i> | For Candidates and Sponsors [if local]: Introductions & Hopes Distribute book: <i>Have Faith</i> by Michael Carotta Explain requirements for service, retreat, pilgrimage, interviews, etc. |
| Saturday December 5th | <i>Service Day: St. Charles Christmas Festival</i> |
| Sunday January 17th 7:00pm – 8:30pm <i>Second Session</i> | <i>Have Faith</i> Part One completed Candidates turn in Growth Plan Part I Discussion |
| Saturday January 30th | <i>Service Day: St. Charles Adopt-a-Road</i> |
| Saturday February 6th Sunday February 7th | <i>Service Weekend: Souper Bowl of Caring</i> |
| Sunday February 28th 7:00pm – 8:30pm <i>Third Session</i> | <i>Have Faith</i> Part Two completed Turn in Growth Plan Part II Review Nicene Creed & Discussion |
| Friday March 19th | <i>Service Night: Stations of the Cross</i> |
| Saturday March 27th | <i>Spiritual Day: Archdiocesan Youth Pilgrimage</i> |
| Thursday April 1st | <i>Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper</i> |
| Sunday April 18th 7:00pm – 8:30pm <i>Fourth Session</i> | <i>Have Faith</i> Part Three completed Confirmation letters explained Interview times scheduled |
| TBD in April/May | Interviews with Pastoral Staff |
| Friday – Saturday April 30th – May 2nd | <i>Retreat</i> (with BASIC) at Trinitarian Monastery |
| Sunday May 16th 7:00pm – 8:00pm | For Parent(s), Sponsor & Candidate: Review Confirmation liturgy Explain Cathedral guidelines; Answer Questions |
| Sunday May 23rd 11:00am | Pentecost Sunday <i>Rite of Confirmation</i> at Cathedral of Mary, Our Queen |

CONFIRMATION CHECK LIST

- If you were not baptized at St. Charles, we will need a copy of the **baptismal certificate** from your church of Baptism
- You will **select a sponsor** who is at least 16 years old, baptized, confirmed and a practicing Roman Catholic, registered in a parish
- You will **choose a Confirmation name**—either that of a saint or someone from the Bible or Church History who inspires you
- You will **write a letter** to the Pastoral Leader explaining:
 - Your Confirmation name and why you have chosen this particular (saint's) name
 - What being Catholic means to you
 - How being confirmed will make a difference in your life
 - Some of the things from your “Spiritual Growth Plan” that you want to do in the year following your Confirmation
 - Where you see God’s Holy Spirit at work in your life

You will also **ask your Sponsor to write a letter** to the Pastoral Leader explaining why he/she is recommending you to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation

- You will provide **a written log of your 25 Service Hours** in the areas of Church, Family and Community (7 hours minimum in each area)
- You will **attend the Mass of the Lord’s Supper** on Holy Thursday
- You will **make a confession** receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation at Lent
- You will be **interviewed** (15-20 minutes) by a member of the Pastoral Staff
- You will **attend Mass regularly** at St. Charles as part of your preparation
- **You must attend the Pilgrimage, the Retreat, the Service Days and the Sunday night sessions in order to satisfy the Archdiocesan requirements for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation**

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