



SANTA MARIA del MAR

God is Good! All the Time!

Confirmation Class

2017-2018

Packet

Save the Dates:

May 17, 2018: Confirmation Rehearsal 6-8pm in the Church

May 19, 2018: Confirmation Mass 10 am

Please arrive no later than 9:15 am

Mark Your Calendars for these Important Dates and required paperwork! All paperwork will be accepted in any one of the following manner on or before their due date. You will receive periodic reminders as well as notices of missing paperwork. Your Child's Confirmation Classes will be the first Wednesday of the Month in the Church! Please have them bring their Bible, a notebook, bag, pen and paper!

- Sent electronically via email to Margie@smdmcc.org (Preferred)
- Original dropped off with student's catechist
- Original dropped off in the Religious Education office in the Learning Center on the night of their class (Wednesdays) to Margie Check.

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MANDATORY SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM FOR PARENTS Wednesday night – 6:30P – 8:00P Free Babysitting!!	
October 4*	Confirmation Parent Meeting
January 17, 2018	Biblical Walk Through the Bible course
January 24, 2018	Biblical Walk Through the Bible course
January 31, 2018	Biblical Walk Through the Bible course
February 7, 2018	Biblical Walk Through the Bible course
February 14, 2018	Biblical Walk Through the Bible course
February 21, 2018	Biblical Walk Through the Bible course
May 2*	Confirmation Parent Meeting

REMINDER:

Sacramental fee \$40 – covers course material, all teen sacramental material (retreats, books, etc.) regardless if attending the class.

Service Opportunities

We will provide the opportunities but you will have to accompany your teens to these service days. They are family centered in hopes that your families can continue to offer support and help to these charities. They will also be posted in Kim Cazzaniga's weekly emails

Service Opportunity	Contact
St. Francis Soup Kitchen	904/824-8987 X2005 - Karen Lundquist
Helping at the Alpha Pregnancy Center	386/586-0210 - Abby Alam
Working at St. Vincent De Paul	386/693-4806 - Don Gregg
Project Share	386/503-1939 – Roseanne Stocker
Secret Santa's Workshop	386/931-8710 - Kim Cazzaniga
Community Cenacolo	386/931-8710 - Kim Cazzaniga
St. Gerard House/Crosses	904/829-5946 – Carol Wolfe
Singing at the Nursing Homes	386/931-8710 - Kim Cazzaniga
Running the 5K for Jamaica	386/793-6400 – Mary Reynolds
Participating in Life Teen Liturgies	386/931-8710 - Kim Cazzaniga
Serving at the Knights of Columbus Dinners	910/467-1601 – Angela Young
Volunteering to assist Pre K – 5 (LAMP)	386/283-030 – Denise Collins

Rise Up/Fall Confirmation Retreat

December 2-3, 2017

Confirmation Practice

Thursday May 17, 2018 6:30-8:00pm in the Church

Confirmation Day

Saturday May 19, 2018 at 10:00am in the Church
Reception and Pictures with the Bishop to follow in the Hall

Steubenville Conference Summer Trip

Camp Covecrest/Hidden Lake (date TBD)
Jamaica Mission trip (date TBD)
Ava Maria Conference (date TBD)

For great confirmation resources and free materials:

www.dynamiccatholic.com

www.lifeteen.com

Sunday, Sunday, Sunday podcast from Mark Hart





Expectations of Candidates

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The Candidate for Confirmation must complete the following requirements:

1. Follow the precepts of the church (CCC#2041-2043).
2. Attend Sunday Mass weekly.
3. Attend or make-up all mandatory Sacramental Class Sessions.
4. Attend or make-up all mandatory Religious Education classes for 7th and 8th grade.
5. Complete at least 16 hours of Community Service, with eight of those hours served in the Parish and eight outside the Parish.
6. Choose a Confirmation sponsor who is a practicing, confirmed Catholic over the age of 16.
7. Choose a patron saint name and know the history of that saint.
8. Attend or make-up mandatory Confirmation Retreat.
9. Write a letter to the Bishop indicating your readiness and desire to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.
10. Pass an examination and an interview showing your knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith.



Saint Report Saint Presentation

Due November 1, 2017

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Outline/Worksheet for Writing a Summary of The Story of your Saint

Directions: There are three segments to this assignment. Read and complete each of the three segments in the order in which they are presented.

Part One: About Your Name

My baptismal name is: _____

First

Middle

Last

I was named after: _____

(If applicable, a grandparent, parent, relative, family friend, etc.)

My parents chose this name for me because:

- _____

- _____

My Confirmation Name will be based on: (*Choose one*)

- My baptismal name. I plan to keep this name because:

I choose another Saint's name as my Confirmation name. The Saint I chose to pray to and imitate and whose name I have chosen for the Sacrament of Confirmation is:

Part Two: About Your Saint:

Does your Saint have a feast day in the Church? Yes No

My Saint's feast day is: _____ / _____ .

Month

Date

What three events in the life of this Saint most impresses you? Why?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

What three special virtues (a virtue is a good habit that enables a person to act with moral excellence, according to God's will) did the Saint have?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

In what two ways was this Saint most like Jesus?

1. _____

2. _____

Name one way this Saint showed love for others.

How could you follow this Saint in your daily life today? Be specific. Give 3 examples.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

I chose this Confirmation name because:

Summarize or list 5 key events in your Saint's life story.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

Part Three: Your Saint Report

Now, write a separate report of your Saint's life story using the above information.

A *minimum* of **ONE** page is required.

1. Date of Birth, Date of Death, and Date of Canonization of your Saint.
2. Profession or vocation of your Saint.
3. Reasons for sainthood.
4. Personal qualities that others are called to model.
5. A symbol of his or her life.
6. One challenge that the Saint would offer to young people today.

You may use these websites as a resource for your project:

www.catholic-forum.com/saints

www.catholic.org/saints



BISHOP LETTER

Bishop Felipe Estevez

Due December 6, 2017

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Each candidate for Confirmation must compose a letter to Bishop Felipe Estevez. The following are guidelines and suggestions for the content of the letter. Your letters must comply with these mandatory formatting rules and will be returned if not: (a template is provided as well)

- All letters must be typed on one side of a plain sheet of paper.
- Please use appropriate paper (do not use paper ripped from a notebook, or scrap paper)
- Do not use any fancy or artistic type font
- Sign and date the letter

Addressing the Bishop

Address the envelope as follows: To the Most Reverend Felipe Estevez, Bishop of St. Augustine

Begin the letter with the date and salutation: Dear Bishop Estevez,

Suggestions for the content of the letter

Tell the Bishop something about yourself.

- Who are you? What do you like to do? Do you have any special interests or hobbies?
- What is different about you this year as compared to last year?
- How have you grown as a person?

Request the Sacrament of Confirmation for yourself.

Indicate that this is your decision and the sacrament is one that you want to receive.

1. In what ways has the preparation for the Sacrament helped you?
2. How does the Church understand the Eucharist? What does the Eucharist mean to you personally?
3. What will you do for the Church---for society as a confirmed Catholic?
4. What is your basic prayer life...both as an individual and as part of a family?
5. Someone has said Confirmation has good effects in stewardship. Explain what this might mean.

Conclude your letter and thank the Bishop. Sign your letter in a format such as: Sincerely,
Respectfully, Yours in Christ,

Template for Bishop's Letter:
You can copy and paste this template onto a new, clean sheet of paper and replace the suggested guidelines (highlighted in Blue) with your own words

To the Most Reverend Felipe Estevez
Bishop of St. Augustine

Dear Bishop Estevez:

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GUIDANCE POINT: Conclude your letter and thank the Bishop. Sign your letter in a format such as: Sincerely, Respectfully, or Yours in Christ,

Your typed name below your signature with a date



Confirmation Candidate Registration/Records

Due January 10, 2018

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Information (please print or type) and complete ALL information even if we have
Baptism/Communion on file. Advise if there are special requirements for your child.

Baptismal and Family Name: _____

Confirmation Name (saint you have chosen): _____

Birthday: _____ Age on Confirmation Day _____

Place and Date of Baptism: Church Name _____

City _____ State _____ Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Have you received your First Reconciliation/First Communion? Yes No

Home Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of Sponsor:

Name of Parents: _____

Student Email address: _____

Parent Email address: _____

Best phone number: _____ Can we text? Yes No



Confirmation Sponsor Information Sheet

Due February 7, 2018

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(Please Print)

Student Name: _____

Sponsor Name: _____

Relationship to Candidate: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number _____

Other Contact #'s: _____

Sponsor's Church Name: _____

Name of Pastor at Church: _____

Year/Place of Sponsor's Confirmation: _____

Sponsors: Each candidate is to have a sponsor. It is the responsibility of the sponsor to assist the candidate in their faith journey and encourage the confirmed person to mature in Christian faith and witness. To be admitted to the role of sponsor a person must:

- have completed their 16th year
- be a Catholic who has been confirmed and admitted to the Eucharist as well as one who leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role undertaken as sponsor.
- not bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared;
- not be the father or mother of the one to be confirmed (code of canon law 874)

Sponsors unknown to the pastor are to provide written evidence from their parish that they fulfill these requirements. The rite suggests the sponsor of Baptism continue in this role at Confirmation. This presumes that the person still meets the requirements of canon 874.



Confirmation Covenant

October 4, 2017

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I, _____, with the support of my family and sponsor,
_____, commit myself to completing my sacramental initiation
by preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. I fully understand that by
committing myself to this process I accept the responsibility to learn more about my
faith, serve others willingly, reflect on my relationship with the Holy Spirit and become
a witness to the Gospel values and oral precepts of the Catholic Church.

Candidate's signature Date

I, _____, commit to helping the above-named Confirmation
candidate to achieve the goals and requirements necessary for Confirmation.

Parent/Guardian signature Date



Service Experience WorkSheet

Due April 4, 2018



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Name: _____

Date of Service Project: _____

Read Matthew 25:31-46 before completing this hand-out.

How does this reading affect you?

Name the Corporal Works of Mercy?

1.	2.	3.
4.	5.	6.
7.		

In completing your Service Hours, which activity touched you the most?

Come up with 3 ideas how to serve at home

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Come up with 3 ideas that you can do at the church

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

What is a commitment you can make to continue to help the poor in our area?

Matthew 25: 31-46

“When the son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will set on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the King will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me. Then the righteous will answer him, Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you? And the King will answer them, ***‘Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me’.***”

Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, in the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me. Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, ***‘Truly, I say to you as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me’.*** And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Corporal Works of Mercy (Matthew 25: 35-36)

Feeding the hungry
Sheltering the homeless
Clothing the naked
Give drink to the thirsty

Visiting the sick and imprisoned
Burying the dead
Giving alms to the poor

Approved by: _____
Kim Cazzaniga, SMdM Youth Director



TOTAL HOURS (add total to front page):			





Confirmation Dress Code

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**Candidates for Confirmation must be dressed in their
"Sunday-best" attire and follow these guidelines:**

For Young Men:

- Dress pants (*no jeans*)
- Dress coat (optional)
- Shirt
- Tie

For Young Women:

- A dress, or a skirt and blouse, or a pantsuit—*none of which may be tight-fitting*
- The dress or skirt must reach the knees (no mini-skirts) and cover the back.
- The dress or blouse must have sleeves that cover the shoulders. (*Spaghetti straps, etc. are not appropriate.*)
- No low-cut tops on blouses or dresses.

I understand the dress code required for my Confirmation Mass and will abide by the above guidelines.

(Confirmation Candidate Signature) (Date)

(Parent/Guardian Signature) (Date)