

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION OUTLINE

There will be an informational mandatory meeting for parents on ***Thursday, January 21, 2010 at 6:45 PM*** in our school gym. Candidates will be attending their class this evening..

Confirmation Commitment Sunday is January 24, 2010 at our 10:30am Liturgy for all candidates, parents, sponsors and anyone you would like to invite (see red sheet attached). The attached red sheet "My Covenant" should be prayerfully read and signed by both our candidate and a parent or parents. "My Covenant" red sheet should be **brought to Mass** on January 24th which will be placed in a prominent space on the altar during Mass.

The mandatory Confirmation Retreat is scheduled for Sunday, March 7, 2010 at Our Lady of Hope in Latham, N.Y.. Our candidates will begin their retreat day at our Parish 9:00 am Mass and will conclude at 8:00pm with a closing ceremony at Our Lady of Hope. All parents, sponsors, etc. are invited to attend the closing ceremony at Our Lady of Hope. More detailed information will be given to you at our Parent's Meeting.

The following are dates involving Confirmation Ritual sessions which we are sharing with other parishes in our Deanery:

~Thursday, January 28th

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM at St. John/St. Ann's

~Thursday, February 11th

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM at our Parish~Blessed Sacrament

~Thursday, February 25th

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM at St. James

~Thursday, March 11th

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM Location TBA

*The weeks that we are experiencing the rituals our Confirmation candidates DO NOT need to attend the Thursday evening sessions at Blessed Sacrament School, instead we will meet as a class at the specific Churches mentioned above. The reason for the rituals is to experience the symbols of Confirmation **with their sponsors** instead of just studying about them in the classroom setting. This Ritual experience gives our candidates the experience and the classroom knowledge.*

Each session will begin in the Church of the different locations mentioned promptly at 7:00PM. Transportation will be individually provided on your own. **Your sponsor should be present with you, the candidate.** If your sponsor cannot attend, another adult should accompany the candidate.

As always, you may contact me at our Faith Formation Office (446-0997) if you have any questions. I will more fully explain this information when I see you at our Parent's meeting on January 21st.

