

## **CONFIRMATION 2011 TO-DO LIST**

### **REQUIRED:**

- Choose Sponsor and method of Confirmation Preparation (2-day On-Site Retreat OR Home Study with 1 day retreat at Gilmary)
- Attend 2-day preparation retreat (June) OR complete Home Study Course with workbook and attend one day retreat at Gilmary (August) NOTE: *Completed student packets for Home Study model are due no later than 8/13*
- If your packet label says “Needs Make-up Work” contact Kathy (X236) or Kate (X223) to arrange for completion of missing work **ASAP**.
- Submit Confirmation Service Project Sign-Up Form and the Medical Release Form (permission slip) Due **ASAP** (*one service project required and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis, your paperwork confirms your spot, service must be completed before 9/1/11.*)
- The following paperwork **must be submitted together** and should be turned in no later than **August 15, 2011**; **Information Form** (lime green-computer generated), **Sponsor Slip** (see note below), **Baptism certificate** (if we are missing it, see note below).
  - Confirmation Information Form-fill in all missing information. Don’t forget to enter the Confirmation name you have chosen (Patron Saint Name-upper right box).
  - Sponsor Slip: If Sponsor is a SSJP parishioner, the Sponsor must call Phyllis at 724-935-2104 X226 to have her send a slip internally to our Faith Formation Office. If your Sponsor is not a parishioner here, they must call their home parish to request a sponsor slip. The slip must have a raised seal from the parish and must be mailed in (we can not accept a copy or a fax). **Be sure the candidate’s name is sent along with the slip.**
  - Copy of Baptism certificate if not on file at SS John & Paul (your Information Form (green) will note if we still need this)
- Write a Letter to Father Mac (turn this into Kathy-we’ll pass it on to Father Mac)

All candidates for Confirmation must write a letter to Fr. Mac requesting that he present them to the bishop and recommend that they be confirmed. This letter must include the following:

  1. *The name of the candidate and the name of their patron saint and what that saint means to them.*
  2. *The name of the sponsor and why the candidate chose this person. What good Catholic qualities does this person possess that would make them a good sponsor?*
  3. *What service project the candidate participated in, what they learned from it*
  4. *What receiving the sacrament of Confirmation means to the candidate*
- Attend the Confirmation Evening of Reflection on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30 PM
- Attend at least 5 High School Youth Events, at least 2 should be a Light Night (Youth Night) (Sundays 7-8:30 PM and/or a “Going Deeper” Topic during the week), other 3 events can be varied; Hosanna (4/17), Fall Retreat, a service-related or social event (options will be explained)
- Attend Mass every Sunday

### **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED:**

- Complete “A Word From Our Sponsors” form with your sponsor-you do not need to turn this in.
- Receive Sacrament of Reconciliation as often as needed. Candidates must not be in a state of serious sin when receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- Pray daily!
- Choose how you will continue to serve your parish and community during high school and ensure continued faith formation