

# CONFIRMATION CALENDAR

2016  2017

<u>August 17, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Team Builder #1 “What is a Saint?” ➤ Bring two 2-liter bottles of soda and chips and cookies to share- (chips, cookies, pretzels, etc.)
<u>August 24, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Team Builder #2 “Who is Jesus?”
<u>August 31, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 0: “Did Jesus Rise from the Dead?”
<u>September 7, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:30 PM: PARENT MEETING in the school Auditorium <u>This is a meeting for parents only.</u>
<u>September 14, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 1: “Open up to God” <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Covenant Forms are due.</li><li>• Sacramental Prep Forms are due (if not already turned in).</li></ul>
<u>September 21, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 2: “God’s Covenant with You” [Part 1]
<u>September 28, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 3: “God’s Covenant with You” [Part 2]
<u>October 12, 2015</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 4: “God’s Covenant with You” [Part 3]
<u>October 26, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 5: “Confirmed in the Church”
<u>November 2, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 6: “Prayer and Sacraments”
<u>November 6, 2016</u> (Sunday)	9:00 AM Liturgy: <i>Rite of Covenant</i> ~ Presentation of the Confirmation Class
<u>November 9, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 7: “Confirmed in Faith”
<u>November 16, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 8: “Confirmed in God’s Justice”
<u>November 30, 2016</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 9: “Purgatory and Indulgences” <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Baptismal Certificate is due.</li><li>* Name of Sponsor Sheet is due.</li><li>* Confirmation Name Sheet is due. (Your research can be on either your Baptismal name or a new name, but <i>it must be a saint.</i>)</li></ul>
<u>January 4, 2017</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 10: “Mary, Mother of God”
<u>January 18, 2017</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 11: “Confirmed in Witness”
<u>January 25, 2017</u> (Wednesday)	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 12: “Catholic Apologetics”

<u>February 8, 2017 (Wednesday)</u>	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 13: “The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass”
<u>February 15, 2017 (Wednesday)</u>	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 14: “Stewardship” (Bring \$10.00) 7:45-8:30 PM: <u>PARENTS ONLY</u> Retreat Meeting in Cafeteria * It is important for one parent to attend this meeting.
<u>February 25 and 26, 2017 (Saturday &amp; Sunday)</u>	* CONFIRMATION RETREAT ~ <i>St. Bernard Abbey in Cullman, AL</i>
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<u>March 8, 2017 (Wednesday)</u>	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 15: “Love and Holiness” [Part 1]
<u>March 22, 2017 (Wednesday)</u>	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 16: “Love and Holiness” [Part 2]
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<u>April 5, 2017 (Wednesday)</u>	6:00-8:30 PM: Session 17: “Faith Facts”
<u>April 3 - 6, 2017: (Monday thru Thursday)</u>	<b><u>Confirmation Candidate Interviews</u></b> ♦ 15 minute Confirmation Interviews this Week! ♦ Call the <u>Church Office</u> to schedule your interview ♦ <b>Due:</b> Stewardship form
<u>April 26, 2017 (Wednesday)</u>	<b><u>6:00-8:30 PM:</u></b> Session 18: “Confirmed Catholic”

**PLEASE NOTE:**

1. **Consistent attendance at weekend Masses is expected of ALL Confirmation Candidates.**  
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the source and summit of our faith as Catholics. This is where God places His very life inside of our souls helping us to become holy and one with Him. Your Confirmation Candidate will come to understand the true importance of the sacraments and especially the Mass. Your support during this period is required by Bishop Baker and our Parish.
  
2. **Attendance at ALL Confirmation Sessions and Rites is required by Bishop Baker and our Parish in order that the candidates utilize every opportunity to grow in their faith in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.** If a serious problem occurs, you may call or email Tracy ahead of the session for an excused absence. In the event of an absence, make-up work will be required to assure that the candidate is properly prepared for Confirmation. Students may not leave sessions early or arrive late on a consistent basis. [finke@holyspirithsv.com](mailto:finke@holyspirithsv.com) 256-881-0345
  
3. **Regular attendance in a Religion Class is required.** Attending Holy Spirit Catholic School meets this requirement as Religion is taught in the school each day. Students who do not attend Catholic School need to enroll in our Sunday Religion classes and attend regularly unless they are fully “Home-Schooled” in an accredited group.
  
4. **The Theology of the Body Program is required by Bishop Baker during Confirmation Preparation.** Theology of the Body is taught in 8<sup>th</sup> grade at Holy Spirit Regional Catholic School. It is also taught in our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday Religious Education Program. ***During the weeks that Theology of the Body is being taught, attendance in Sunday Religious Education classes is strictly required of all students who do not attend Holy Spirit School. In order to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Theology of the Body Program must be completed.***