

**St. Valentine Faith Formation**  
**313-532-4394 x101**

July 2016

Dear Confirmation Candidate and Family,

We hope that you and your family and friends are enjoying a summer filled with fun and relaxation. We are already thinking about, and planning for your upcoming reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Because of the importance of this Sacrament we want to make you aware of these important dates leading up to Confirmation. Please mark your calendar now with these mandatory dates:

- **Monday, October 3rd** Confirmation Meeting – Parents and Candidates  
7:00 p.m. in School Meeting Room – Retreat Information – Retreat money \$65.00 due
  
- **Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>** Confirmation Retreat – Mariannahill Monastery  
**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>** 5:30 p.m. (details to follow)
  
- **Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>** Sacramental Enrollment – Candidates, Parents & Sponsors –  
12:00 noon Mass in Church
  
- **Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>** Confirmation Commitment Service – 7:00 p.m. in  
Chapel– Candidate, Parents and Sponsors
  
- **Date to be announced** Confirmation Interviews – to be held during school hours.
  
- **Practice** To be determined
  
- **Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>** Confirmation Mass – 5:00 p.m.

***Once again, please know that these meetings, retreat, and prayer services are all mandatory.***

This is a very exciting year for you as you begin your journey as an eighth grader. It is not too early to start thinking about your Confirmation preparation. In addition to your classes you will be required to perform Christian service hours from November thru February and write a letter to me (Father Henry) asking to receive the Sacrament of the Spirit. All of which will be explained further during the year. The teachers and the staff are anxious to assist you in your preparation of the sacrament and are praying for you. It is going to be a great year!

In addition, all 8<sup>th</sup> graders are to be involved in the Passion Play held during Holy Week. We are looking forward to a faith-filled year with you and your family.

God bless you,

Fr. Henry  
Director of Religious Education

Please note: **At the beginning of the school year we will need a copy of your Baptismal certificate if you were baptized at a church *other* than St. Valentine. If you were baptized at St. Valentine, please give us the date and year, so that we may look it up in our records.**