

The Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena Religious Education

7TH GRADERS: Confirmation Checklist

Mandatory Dates:

Saint Report March 31, 2023

Sponsor Certificate TBA in 8th grade

Chastity: The Virtue of True Love February 14 or 15, 2023 (6 – 7:15 pm)

Service Hours Start accruing hours in summer going into 7th

Service Reflection TBA in 8th grade

Letter to Father Marcello TBA in 8th grade

Retreat Day TBA in 8th grade

Candidate Interviews TBA in 8th grade Sacrament of Reconciliation TBA in 8th grade

Confirmation Rehearsal TBA in 8th grade Sacrament of Confirmation TBA in 8th grade

<u>Confirmation Name/Saint Report</u>: Each candidate will choose a saint to take as an example of the faith. Candidates will write a report on the saint they chose.

Sponsor: Each candidate is required to have a Sponsor. Please see Sponsor form for details.

<u>Chastity Talk</u>: The Confirmation curriculum covers the virtue of chastity. To properly cover this virtue, a trained speaker will address the candidates. Parents encouraged to attend. Students can attend during 7th and/or 8th grade

<u>Service Hours/Testimony</u>: Each candidate is required to perform at least 20 hours of community service. Please see "Service Hours" document for details. After completing their service hours, the candidate is to write a personal testimony.

<u>Letter to the Pastor, Fr. Joseph Marcello</u>: Each candidate will write a letter to Fr. Joseph Marcello, the Pastor of St. Catherine of Siena Parish. Candidates will request to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and state why they believe they are ready to do so.

Retreat Day: A retreat will be scheduled during 8th grade. All Candidates are required to attend.

Reconciliation: Each candidate is strongly encouraged to make a good confession in close proximity to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

<u>Candidate Interview</u>: Each candidate will be interviewed individually to assess readiness for Confirmation.