

CONFIRMATION CALENDAR 2025-2026 (TRADITIONAL)

 **PARENT INFO SESSION:** Tues. 8/19 6pm or Wed. 8/27 7pm **ONLINE**

 **WEEKLY GATHERINGS:** Sundays 11:45am-1pm or Mondays 7:15-8:30 pm

 **YEAR 1 PARENT+CANDIDATE SESSION:**
Mon. 9/15 at 7:15pm or Wed. 9/17 at 6pm

 **YEAR 2 PARENT+CANDIDATE SESSION:**
Mon. 9/15 at 6pm or Wed. 9/17 at 7:15pm

 **YEAR 1 RETREAT:** Sat. 10/26 from 1-6 pm or
Sun. 10/27 from 10:15am-3:15pm (tentative)

 **YEAR 2 RETREAT:** Sat. 3/21 from 1-6 pm
or Sun. 3/22 from 10:15am-3:15pm

 **Special Participation at Mass**



YEAR 2 PARENT+CANDIDATE CATHEDRAL INFO SESSION: Wed. 2/4 at 7pm **ONLINE**

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 **Dec. Rite of Enrollment:** Choose any Mass. Blessing for candidates + family.

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 **Jan. Family Mass:** Please join us at 10:30am. Potluck lunch to follow.

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 **March Teaching Mass:** Attend any Mass for special instruction from Fr. Tim about why we do what we do.

APRIL

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 **YEAR 2 IMMEDIATE PREP:**
Wed. 4/8 7:15pm IN CHURCH (tentative)

 **YEAR 1 PARENT+CANDIDATE WRAP-UP:**
Wed. 4/29 at 7:15 pm IN CHURCH

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL CANDIDATES

Regular Participation at Mass: *Saturdays 5pm, Sundays 8:00am + 10:30am at St. Rita.*

Info Session: *Tues. 8/19 6pm or Wed. 8/27 7pm online.*

Weekly Gatherings: *Sundays from 11:45am-1:00pm OR Mondays 7:15pm-8:30pm at St. Rita;* drop-off and pick-up at the barn. Year 1 and Year 2 candidates attend weekly through early April. Weekly Gatherings will complete the annual catechetical and service components of the program. For the sake of community building, candidates should attend the session they registered for. Candidates may change days as a rare exception in case of illness or unavoidable conflict if a parent/guardian provides email notice by 9:30am the day of the alternate session. (Please do NOT text or call.)

Rite of Enrollment: *All Masses Sat. 12/6 + Sun. 12/7 in the church.* Please attend ONE of these Masses for candidates and families to receive a special blessing for their sacramental journeys.

Family Mass: *Sun. 1/18 10:30am Mass in the church.* Our candidates will serve in liturgical ministries. Potluck lunch to follow.

ADDITIONAL YEAR 1 REQUIREMENTS

Year 1 Parent/Candidate Session: *Mon. 9/15 at 7:15pm or Wed. 9/17 at 6pm in the church.* A gathering to begin your Confirmation journey.

Retreat: *Sat. 10/25 from 1-6 pm or Sun. 10/26 from 10:15am-3:15pm at St. Rita.* Candidates should attend ONE Year 1 retreat. Each retreat includes Mass. 10/27 is tentative depending on interest/numbers due to the Bills game. For other opportunities, Elizabeth will plan an additional teen retreat, or any Confirmation retreat in the diocese will count.

ADDITIONAL YEAR 2 REQUIREMENTS

Year 2 Parent/Candidate Session: *Mon. 9/15 at 6pm or Wed. 9/17 at 7:15pm in the church.* A gathering to explore what it means to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Cathedral Info Session: *Wed. 2/4 7pm **ONLINE**.* Parents, candidates, and sponsors (if possible) should attend to learn what to expect at the cathedral for the Rite of Confirmation.

Retreat: *Sat. 3/21 from 1-6 pm or Sun. 3/22 from 10:15am-3:15pm at St. Rita.* Candidates should attend ONE Year 2 retreat. Each retreat includes Mass. For other opportunities, Elizabeth will plan an additional teen retreat, or any Confirmation retreat in the diocese will count.

TBD:

- Information about choosing a Confirmation name (short video)
- Immediate Preparation (at St. Rita, tentatively scheduled for Wed. 4/8 7:15pm)
- Rehearsal (at St. Rita, within a week prior to the celebration)
- Rite of Confirmation: The bishop is expected to preside at this celebration scheduled by the Diocese.

The date is currently unknown. It is likely that we will celebrate on a weekday evening late March through early May at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral.