

Our Lady of Fatima Parish

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Religious Education Schedule 2018-19

Confirmation I

Welcome to Confirmation I! Your child is about to begin the first year of a two-year program that prepares them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and helps them as they move toward a more adult role in our Catholic Faith.

Typically, classes will begin on alternating Sunday mornings at the 11:00 mass. (The students have the option to either sit with their class or family.) After mass students will move into the hall to continue with their catechesis, with classes concluding at 2pm. Please refer to the enclosed schedule.

Students will not be allowed to leave the hall until dismissal time unless it was necessary to make other arrangements with the Catechist ahead of time.

Please be sure to get a copy of the **Church Bulletin each week** for important information.

E-mails/remind messages will be sent regarding changes, special events and reminders, so please check frequently. Also, our parish website contains *all* our faith formation information and updates, so please refer to www.olfatimaparish.net.

For cancellations due to inclement weather or other emergency: E-mail/remind messages will be sent. Our make-up sessions (for weather or other cancellations) will take place on the following Sunday from 2-4:00pm and messages will be sent to confirm any changes.

If you wish, your child may bring a water bottle to class. Snacks will be offered to students during class, however students can also provide a *small* snack of their own. (Or for the class if they would like to share!)

Use of cell phones are encouraged for certain class activities, please adhere to the Catechist's requests during class time.

Our two-year Confirmation program consists of dynamic lessons featuring Chris Stefanik's Chosen Program and various lessons prepared for our students by our catechists. Each class begins with a discussion on that Sunday's Gospel reading and from there flows into lessons consisting of various social teachings and focusing on the student's personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Our classes utilize various forms of media and presentations. The Diocese of Paterson mandates that each class participates in an annual retreat. These events are informative, energetic & compelling sessions, designed to inspire a curiosity in our Catholic faith, thus initiating the students to further examine their own relationship with our Lord. Students are required to attend all classes (unless an emergency arises, or children are ill) *Any student missing more than 2 classes will be required to attend make-up sessions*. Please e-mail if your child will be absent.

Christian Service Hours

Each Confirmation I Candidate is required to complete at least 20 hours of Christian Service. In addition to the opportunities you find on your own, there will be extra service projects offered through our Youth Ministry and our Parish. During the year look for emails with more info!

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Faith Formation e-mail address: fatimaccd@aol.com

Date	Snow date	Notes
September 9		All CCD Parents meeting in the church @ 2:00
September 23		Class beginning @11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm
September 30		Class beginning @11:00 mass (Presentation of Conf. 1 & 2) continuing in hall until 2pm (with Confirmation 2)
October 7		Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm
October 21		Class beginning @ 11:00 mass. "Walk for the Hungry" following mass. *(If inclement weather – class in hall until 2:00)*
October 28		Class beginning @ 11:00 mass – continuing in hall until 2pm
November 11		Class beginning @ 11:00 mass – continuing in hall until 2pm
November 18		Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2:00
December 2		Class beginning @11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm
December 16		"Family Formation Class" Conf 1&2 with parents Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm
January 6	**	Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm Bring baby items for Birth Haven
January 27	Feb 3	Pro-Life Presentation – Conf. 1 & 2 Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-with presentation to follow
January - TBA		Event to Support "Right to Life" TBA
February 3	**	Class beginning @ 11:00 mass continuing in hall until 2pm **Food collection for "Souper Bowl" of caring** **Snow date for Pro-Life Presentation if needed immediately following 11:00 mass**
February 24	March 10	Mini- Retreat (Mandatory) 4:00 – 8:00 in Hall Dinner included
March 10	**	Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm (snow date for mini-retreat if necessary -- 4-8:00pm)
March 24	**	Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm Christian Service form is DUE!
April 7		Class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm
April 11 (Thursday)		Living Stations of the Cross Rehearsal (7-9pm)
April 14 (Palm Sunday)		Class beginning at 11:00 mass-followed by class/Living Stations Rehearsal until 2pm
April 18 (Holy Thursday)		Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 7:30pm
April 19 (Good Friday)		"The Living Stations of the Cross" presented by Conf. 1 Students arrive at 6:30 & Presentation begins at 7:30
May 5		Final class beginning @ 11:00 mass-continuing in hall until 2pm

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