Parent's Information for Confirmation 2021-2022

St. Aidan's Roman Catholic Church

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Dear Parents of Students in Grade 7 or older,

Confirmation is an extremely important sacrament. Not only does it strengthen us in our faith, but it helps defend us against evil influences in our lives and it can help us to grow in our relationship with God. On account of the ongoing pandemic situation, we will not be conducting Confirmation Classes at the church. I will be visiting the Grade 7 classes at St. Aidan's School and St. Sylvester's School and doing the sacramental Confirmation preparation in the schools. For those students who are from other schools, or in higher grades, or who are virtual or online students, I will have some online lessons. You will need to contact me for more information regarding these online classes. Please note that the Confirmation Mass usually takes place in the spring, near the end of the school year. I am proposing that the Confirmation Mass be on June 5th, 2022 at 3:00 pm. In consideration of possible future pandemic restrictions, this date may need to be changed.

In addition to the catechetical teachings that I will be providing the students, I very strongly encourage parents to work with their children, to accompany them in their preparations, teaching them the ways of faith, reviewing with them the material they will be learning for their confirmation and being an example of prayerfulness to them.

I ask that you register your child for the Confirmation Program at St. Aidan's Church for the 2021/2022 school year. Once we have all of your contact information, it will be easier for us to provide you with more information if you should need it.

Thank you,

Fr. Steven Szakaczki