



**St. Brendan High School
RCIA High School Program
2022-2023**

Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to the RCIA program for students of St. Brendan High School!

Candidates, you are preparing, in a special way, for a deeper relationship with Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Confirmation will bring you closer to God if you allow it. It will also give you the graces to go out into the world and bring God to other people. What you will learn in this short course will help you prepare for this important, life-long adventure. We, the Church, faithful on Earth and in Heaven, pray for you as you grow in your Christian witness!

Why is Confirmation a Sacrament? A person needs Baptism to be saved. A person does not need Confirmation to be saved. Why, then, does the Church offer the Sacrament of Confirmation? What does it mean to be confirmed, and why is it a sacrament?

A sacrament is a visible sign of invisible grace. Confirmation is a visible sign and a remembrance of the holy events that happened on Pentecost. After Jesus rose from the dead, He spent time with His Apostles. He opened their minds so that they could truly understand the scriptures. Before Jesus took Himself up to Heaven, He told His Apostles to stay inside and wait for the day that He would send the Holy Spirit to them. On the day we call Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came to the Apostles like a great, loud wind. The Spirit looked like fire; small flames broke off and rested on the head of every Apostle.

In Confirmation, we are, like the Apostles, given the Holy Spirit in a special way and for a special purpose. The Holy Ghost gives us the graces and strength to go out into the world and bring the Good News of Jesus to others. These graces, or Gifts of the Holy Spirit, are listed by St. Paul in the Bible in 1 Corinthians.

Together, let us pray for our candidates, parents and sponsors.

*Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.
Kindle the fire of your love.
Send forth your spirit and they shall be created, and you will renew
the face of the earth.
Amen.*

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Confirmation Program

Confirmation classes will take place on the following **Mondays from 2:45 to 4:00pm**.
Students will be notified via email where they need to report.

Class attendance for students, ALL parent and sponsor meetings are **MANDATORY**, no exceptions.

September 7th (**Mandatory meeting for parents only, 7pm- Media Center**)

Monday, **September 19** - 2:45 to 4:00pm

Monday, **September 26** - 2:45 to 4:00pm

Monday, **October 3** - 2:45 to 4:00pm

Monday, **October 17** - 2:45 to 4:00pm

Monday, **October 24** - 2:45 to 4:00pm

Monday, **October 31** - 2:45 to 4:00pm

Monday, **November 7** - 2:45 to 4:00pm

Monday, November 14, Mandatory meeting for sponsors and parents, 7:00pm- Lecture Hall

Monday, December 5 - Mandatory Confession for all candidates during Theology class

Monday, January 9 - Confirmation practice 2:45 to 4:00pm – St. Raphael Chapel)

Monday, January 23 - Confirmation practice & distribution of gowns – 2:45 to 4:00pm - St. Raphael Chapel)

Wednesday, February 1 (Mandatory practice for candidates & sponsors, 7:00 to 8:15 pm - St. Raphael Chapel)

Tuesday, February 7

Confirmation Mass

7:00pm

St. Raphael Chapel

St. John Vianney College Seminary

Candidates **MUST** arrive at **6:15pm** wearing their gown.
No photography will be allowed during the ceremony.



STUDENT INFORMATION

Please fill out the following information in **PRINT**. (Please write legibly)

Today's date: _____

STUDENT's Last name: _____ STUDENT's First name: _____

Middle name: _____ Age: _____ Student ID#: _____

GRADE: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____ Height: _____

Student's School E-Mail: _____ Student's Cell Number: _____

Permission to Text Message for Confirmation Purposes: Yes _____ No _____

Grade of student in August 2022: _____ (9, 10, 11 or 12)

Student's Theology Teacher: _____ Room#: _____ Period: _____

FATHER:

Last name: _____ First name: _____

Title: _____ Religion: _____

Relation to student: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____ CELL TEXT MSG OK? YES or NO

Email: _____

MOTHER:

Last name: _____ First name: _____

Relation to student: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____ CELL TEXT MSG OK? YES or NO

Email: _____

A registration fee of \$100 is required and must be included with the application and paid by September 7, 2022. This fee includes the book and gown for Confirmation. Please do not let financial concerns prevent you from registering.

CHECKS should be made out to:

ST. BRENDAN HIGH SCHOOL

Please write *confirmation program and student's name and ID* on the memo line.
For more information or questions, contact Deacon Blanco at: eblanco@stbhs.org

Date of check: _____ Check #: _____

NAME OF STUDENT: _____ GRADE: _____ ID#: _____

The RCIA High School Program can prepare the student for Baptism, First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.

Which sacrament does the student wish to receive? Mark all that apply.

_____ BAPTISM _____ FIRST HOLY COMMUNION _____ CONFIRMATION

Please fill out the following information in **PRINT**:

Name of the church where family is currently registered: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Country: _____

Is it a Roman Catholic church? _____ YES _____ NO

Has the student received the sacrament of *Baptism*? _____ YES _____ NO

If YES, you must submit a copy of the student's certificate of Baptism, along with this application.

Please DO NOT send originals.

Has the student received the sacrament of *Baptism*? _____ YES _____ NO

Name of the church where the sacrament of *Baptism* took place:

If YES, you must submit a copy of the student's certificate of First Holy Communion, along with this application.

Please DO NOT send originals.

Has the student received the sacrament of *First Holy Communion*? _____ YES _____ NO

Name of the church where the sacrament of *First Holy Communion* took place:

Sponsor Form for the Sacrament of Confirmation

(Please fill out the information in **print** and submit to Deacon Blanco by **Monday November 7, 2022**.)

You may scan/email the form and send it to: eblanco@stbhs.org

I, _____, have been asked to be a Confirmation Sponsor for _____, who is to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Brendan High School.

As a Confirmation Sponsor I affirm that:

- I have received the Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist in the Roman Catholic Church.
- I will be at least sixteen years of age on the day of Confirmation.
- I participate regularly in Sunday Mass and receive Holy Communion as a practicing Roman Catholic.
- I actively strive to live out my commitment to Christ and to the communal life of the Church by my loving response to those with whom I come in contact with daily.
- My current marital status conforms to all laws, norms, and principles of the Roman Catholic Church.

Full Legal Name of Confirmation Sponsor (please fill out the information in print)

Name: _____ Last Name: _____

My relationship to the candidate is: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone(s) _____ Cell # _____

E-Mail: _____

My current parish: _____

I promise to give my support to the confirmation candidate by my prayers, my continued interest in his/her growth as a Catholic, and the Christian example of my daily life. I do hereby solemnly declare that I fulfill all the above requirements to act as a Confirmation Sponsor.

Signature of Confirmation Sponsor

Date

TO BE COMPLETED BY PASTOR OF CONFIRMATION SPONSOR:

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the above information is correct.

Signature of Catholic Pastor

Date

Parish Seal