



**MOST HOLY
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Dear Parent, Candidate and Sponsor,

“They prayed for the believers, that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For the Holy Spirit had not yet come down on any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.”

—Acts 8:16 & 17

As your child prepares to receive this special gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, it is a chance for parents, guardians, and sponsors to recommit ourselves to living out our Catholic faith that began at Baptism. Our children will be strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit as they become witnesses of Christ and spread His word.

This awesome challenge is there for all of us, not just our 8th grade students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. How is the best way to live? The life, teachings, and the person of Jesus lead us to the best way to live. The incredible body of knowledge and wisdom of the church are available to direct us toward that path. Every confirmed Christian has to decide if we are going to walk the path or not. We are all part of this process. Parents, sponsors, priests, teachers, and the Christian community will support the Confirmandi in this process. Your child will continue to strengthen himself/herself by attending Mass, receiving Eucharist, going to Reconciliation, journaling, prayer, service, and studies.

It is you who will present your child to the bishop for Confirmation and it is you who will witness their decision to be confirmed. We want to partner with you in this preparation and pray with you, as we help our eighth graders discover the best way to live.

Please join us at the **Parent/Sponsor/Candidate** meeting on **Tuesday, October 2nd @ 7:30pm** in church. Michael Okinczyc is our guest speaker, from The Coalition for Spiritual and Public Leadership, a not-for-profit, multi-racial grassroots led organization that addresses racial, social, economic, and environmental injustice by organizing faith communities. This is a very important meeting and the presence of **each Confirmation candidate, their sponsor, and at least one of their parents, is required.**

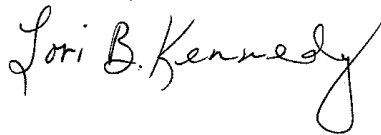
Enclosed are the requirements of a sponsor and the *Confirmation Name and Sponsor* form. ***Please fill this form out and bring it to the meeting on Tuesday, October 2nd.***

Please note the following sacrament calendar with all important dates.

Tuesday, October 2, 2018	7:30pm Parent/Sponsor/Candidate meeting - Church Confirmation Name & Sponsor Form Due
October 29, 2018	Saint Project Due (assigned in class)
November 19, 2018	Sponsor Interview Due (assigned in class)
December 3, 2018	2 Service Projects & 2 Service Reflections Due (details will be given at meeting)
February 7, 2019	Confirmation Retreat (8:30am-2:30pm) (more details to come)
February 11, 2019	2 Service Projects & 2 Service Reflections Due (details will be given at meeting)
February 2019	Confirmation Interviews
Thursday, February 21, 2019	6:00-7:00pm Confirmation practice in church (student only)
Sunday, February 24, 2019	1pm Confirmation Mass , Bishop Rojas Reception following in Briody Hall

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 346-8185 ext. 226.

God Bless,



Lori Kennedy
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