

St. Rose of Lima Parish Served by the Holy Cross Fathers

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2024 – 2025 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Once again, we will soon be starting preparations for our qualified Grade 7 students to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

Our Parish follows the Archdiocesan program, "Anointed for Mission". This program not only recognizes the need for both Parish and School involvement in preparing the youth to receive this Sacrament, but also the parents, who remain the "first teachers of their children in the ways of the faith". As such, parents are expected to participate in the preparation process by bringing the child to Sunday Mass on a regular basis and by ensuring he/she attends the five (5) Catechetical Sessions that are part of this program.

It is important for parents to realize that the Sacraments are primarily PARISH, not School, celebrations. We recognize that some students in our parish schools may come from different parishes. If this is the case, you may wish your child to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parish where your family regularly worships.

Our first meeting and registration for children celebrating The Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Rose of Lima Parish will be held in the Parish Hall on:

> Saturday, October 5, 2024, 10 a.m. Information and Registration Presentation by Fr. Vijai or Fr. Sojan (Parents required to attend) Registration (ALL SCHOOLS) follows until 12:00 noon

Please COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM AND BRING IT TO THE MEETING (as stated above) ALONG WITH A COPY OF YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM CERTIFICATE and \$50 registration fee.

Parents are expected to make a serious commitment to see that their children attend each activity. Since attendance is one of the indicators of readiness for receiving a sacrament; failure to attend any meetings will result in your child not receiving the sacrament.

There will be no makeup sessions.

We look forward to seeing you on October 5th at 10 a.m. Please be on time.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Vijai Amirtharaj CSC **Pastor**

Rev. Fr. Sojan Augustine Athickal CSC **Associate Pastor**