



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

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2024 – 2025 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IMPORTANT DATES

Confirmation is an essential part of Christian Initiation. In Confirmation the bishop seals us, the baptized, with the Gift of the Holy Spirit. This sacrament is intended to:

- root us more deeply as sons and daughters of God,
- incorporate us more firmly into Christ,
- strengthen our bond with the Church,
- associate us more closely with the mission of the Church, and
- strengthen us to bear witness to the Christian faith.



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. PLEASE COME ON TIME.

1. REGISTRATION DATE (Parish Hall):

October 5, 2024, Saturday – 10 a.m. to 12:00 noon ALL SCHOOLS

2. SUNDAY MASS (Church)

It is expected that every candidate for Confirmation will attend Sunday Mass on a regular basis as an indicator of willingness to assume the responsibilities of a mature (Catholic) Christian. In case of neglect of this duty, the pastor or his delegate might recommend that such a person consider delaying his or her reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The schedule of Sunday Masses is:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., & 12:30 p.m.

3. LETTER OF REQUEST (Church):

With prayerful consideration and knowing the expectations of a Confirmed Catholic, each candidate must formally ask to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. A brief letter must be typed or written by your child addressed to Rev. Vijai Amirtharaj CSC and placed in an envelope explaining why he or she considers himself /herself ready for Confirmation. At that time, each student will receive a cross which they are asked to wear proudly during their time of preparation.

Failure to present this letter will mean he or she has decided not to be confirmed.

Presentation of this letter of request will occur on the weekend of:

October 19, 2024 – Saturday, 5:00 p.m. (St. Rose of Lima)

October 20, 2024 – Sunday, 9:00 am (St. Barbara)

October 20, 2024 – Sunday, 10:45 am (St. Richard)

October 20, 2024 – Sunday, 12:30 pm (St. Victor & Other Schools)



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4. PARISH CONFIRMATION PROGRAM (Parish Hall)

Our Parish Community follows the Archdiocesan program "Anointed for Mission" as the means of preparing our young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Each candidate is expected to attend 5 sessions which will be held on the following dates:

1. November 9, 2024 – Saturday, 10:00 to 11:30 am – All Schools
2. December 14, 2024 – Saturday, 10:00 to 11:30 am – All Schools
3. January 11, 2025 – Saturday, 10:00 to 11:30 am – All Schools
4. February 8, 2025 – Saturday, 10:00 to 11:30 am – All Schools
5. March 8, 2025 – Saturday, 10:00 to 11:30 am – All Schools

ATTENDANCE AT ALL CLASSES IS MANDATORY.

5. RECONCILIATION SERVICES (Church)

The sacrament of Reconciliation is not merely a time for spiritual direction or a time for seeking moral guidance. The Sacrament is a way to prepare oneself to be as holy as possible when receiving the Eucharist. We hope that your family and sponsors will take advantage of this wonderful sign of God's love and forgiveness.

The Confirmation Candidates' Reconciliation is MANDATORY on:

April 10, 2025 – Thursday, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6. REHEARSAL / CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (Church)

1st Date (St. Rose of Lima and St. Victor)

REHEARSAL, April 29, 2025 – Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION, May 1, 2025 – Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

2nd Date (St. Barbara, St. Richard and Other Schools)

REHEARSAL, May 6, 2025 – Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION, May 8, 2025 – Thursday, 7:00 p.m.

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Celebrant: Most Reverend Vincent Nguyen; Co-Celebrant: Rev. Vijai Amirtharaj CSC

IMPORTANT REMINDERS - CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

NO PHOTOGRAPHY DURING THE MASS; the Church will be available for photos after Mass.

BEFORE MASS:

Please come 45 minutes earlier.

Proceed to the basement for the WEARING of the sacramental GOWN.

Then go up inside the Church and sit on your assigned seat with your sponsor.

Family/ relatives/ friends seating is available on a first come first served basis.

AFTER MASS:

Please proceed to the basement to RETURN the sacramental GOWN and GET your CERTIFICATE.
