

Calendar Details Class of 2010

1. **Catechist Meetings** are for the Faith Theme instructors only. Candidates **do not** attend these meetings. They are meetings designed to provide necessary information to the Faith Theme instructors for the upcoming classes.
2. The **Faith Theme Session** is the small group gathering with the candidates and the Sponsor Catechists (instructors). There are 8 Faith Theme sessions for the Class of 2010 from September 2009 through April 2010.
PLEASE NOTE: This year, Confirmation Faith Theme Sessions take place on Sunday evenings from 7:00 pm until 8:30 pm. This is a change from last year. Confirmation classes will continue to take place in the Church building.
*****Also Note** whether your child is in Group A, B or C, depending upon their Sponsor Catechist's Name. Sponsor Catechist Names along with the group they are in, are listed on the bottom of the calendar.
*****And Also Note** that groups having a Faith Theme Session on **December 13th** ~ there is a time change. The session will begin at 7:30 pm and end at 9:00 pm.
3. Approximately every 6 weeks there will be a **Teen Mass** beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Candidates should arrive by 6:45 p.m. Homilies will be used to reinforce the Faith Theme sessions and enlighten the candidates on other subjects such as the Saints, our Blessed Mother, the Holy Spirit and the Sacraments. Teen Masses are usually finished by 8:15 p.m. and refreshments are served afterwards. Parents and family are **always** welcome.
4. On **October 18th** during a **Teen Mass**, the candidates will also celebrate the **Presentation of the Our Father and Creed**. It is a required event for all candidates. Reception of these significant materials on that evening is extremely important because each candidate will soon be considered "young adult Catholics" within our church. The Our Father and Creed prayer cards will assist the candidates to live their Confirmation promises. All parents, godparents and family members are invited to attend.
5. The **Reconciliation Service** at **7:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 25th** is a very important liturgical event. It is an opportunity for the candidates to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to reception of the Confirmation sacrament. All candidates must attend. The service should end at approximately 9:00 p.m.
6. There are two scheduled evenings for **Final Interviews**. Each candidate will experience a twenty-minute interview. An adult parishioner of St. Therese Parish will conduct the interview. The interview will focus on the material of Faith Theme Sessions, general knowledge of the Roman Catholic religion, and information concerning the candidate's Community Service work. This year the Final Interviews are scheduled for **Tuesday, April 20th** and **Wednesday, April 21st** beginning at **6:30 p.m.**
7. There is a mandatory practice for the celebration of the Confirmation mass on **Thursday, April 29th**, from **7:00 to 8:30 p.m.** in the church. Godparents or a stand-in will need to attend this practice as well.
8. **Confirmation Day** is scheduled for **SUNDAY, May 2nd** at the **12 noon Mass**. Details concerning the most significant day in the Confirmation calendar will be provided in a separate letter later in the year. While the day and time of Confirmation is unusual for our program and history, this is the date that the Bishop informed us he will celebrate the sacrament with us.