Confirmation Preparation

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The 6th and 7th Graders of St. Michael Parish will be offered the Sacrament of Confirmation during their eighth grade school year when the Bishop is present. Adults may be confirmed every year either at the Easter Vigil as part of their Christian Initiation process or at the Cathedral at the Bishop's invitation.

A 6th or 7th Grader participating in our Religious Education classes should strive to:

- Attend the St. Michael Parish religious education classes for 6th, 7th and 8th grade.
- Understand that through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist) a person is fully initiated into the Church and shares its mission in the world.
- Understand that Confirmation both *celebrates* the gift of the Spirit received initially at Baptism and *affirms* the work the Spirit is already doing in the life of the Christian.
- Assume a sense of responsibility for participating in the parish community.
- Have a basic and growing understanding and appreciation of God's Word in Scripture.
- Understand the need to develop the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit throughout their life.
- Understand the basic beliefs of the Church as found in the Creed.

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Due Wed, Mar. 20th
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1. **Prayer Checklist** – All students should know some of the prayers and basic teachings of the Catholic Church. These should be worked on outside of class time with your parent initialing after each prayer known by heart. The completed checklist is due by Wednesday, Dec. 12th th.

2. **Faith in Action (F.I.A.)** – All students are required to complete 6 Faith in Action Projects (formerly called Service Projects.) Three are due Dec. 12th and three are due Mar. 20th – or sooner.) You may also choose to do 1 long term project that equals 12 or more hours such as serving as a Religious Education aide in the younger grades on Sunday mornings (8:30 -10 or 10:20-11:50) or Monday after school (4:30-6.) Each service should be something that you do for several hours or for an afternoon or evening. This should be something that you volunteer to do outside of your family routine or obligations and you should not expect to be paid. (For example, you could rake an elderly neighbor's yard or shovel their snow, help at a nursing home, or collect food for one of the food pantries.)

For your Faith in Action projects we encourage you to try something outside your "comfort zone." Try something you wouldn't normally do or go some place you wouldn't normally go. Meet or work with people you wouldn't normally meet. Babysitting for a younger brother or sister can be extremely helpful, but as a family, that's something you should be doing anyway. Shoveling snow for your grandparents also is most appreciated, but families should take care of each other. Try something "outside the box!" You can find opportunities to serve with your our middle school youth ministry. Look for emails from Theresa Simeo or in the church bulletin for opportunities to serve.

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Prayer Checklist

Due Dec. 12, 2018

Student's name _____

Catholics have many beautiful and traditional prayers that have been prayed generation after generation. We ask that you know some of them by heart. Below is a list of suggested prayers you should know by now and a place where you can add other favorites.

Parents and students, please look over prayers listed below. We ask our students know at least 5-7 traditional Catholic prayers by heart. Parents, please initial after each prayer your son or daughter can pray by heart. Then add any others that your son or daughter also knows. Students, turn this list into your catechist by Wed., Dec. 12th. The prayers below can be found in the back of your textbook on the blue PRAYERS pages.

Suggested Prayers to Memorized:	Parent's Initials:
• Morning Offering	_____
• The Angelus	_____
• Mysteries of the Rosary	_____
• Prayer for the Pope	_____
• Anima Christi	_____
• Memorare	_____
• Prayer to St. Michael	_____

Prayers that you know not on the list above:

- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

St. Michael's RE Faith In Action (F.I.A.) Verification Form

Student Reflection

STUDENT *to fill in the following information:*

Printed Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____

Place of Service: _____ Date(s) of Service: _____

What were your responsibilities?

_____

_____

_____

What did you like/dislike about this activity?

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How did your service project respond to Jesus' call for us to serve others?

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Student Signature: _____

Supervisor Verification

*****This section is to be completed by the person supervising the service. A parent signature is not acceptable. *****

Please fill out all information. Please note that you may be contacted to verify the specific service.

By my signature below, I certify that the above named student willingly and cheerfully provided the service described free of charge, and should be given credit for the work completed.

Amount of time student spent volunteering*_____ Date(s) of Service: _____

Printed name of adult supervisor _____ Supervisor phone and/or email _____

Supervisor Signature _____

*Students in Grades 6 and 7 should complete 3 F.I.A. services per semester equaling 2 hours each OR 1long term F.I.A. service equaling 12 hours or more . Students in Grade 8 should complete 4 short term F.I.A. services per semester equaling 2 hours or more OR 1 long term F.I.A. equaling 16 hours or more.

Semester 1 FIA forms DUE: Dec 12, 2018 **Semester 2 FIA forms DUE: Mar 20, 2019**