



Dear Parents,

Confirmation is an important, unrepeatable Sacrament, in the Catholic Church. It is a deepening of the Love that was poured out upon your children during the Sacrament of Baptism. We are grateful for the faith that has been instilled in your children as they begin to take responsibility for their own faith-formation. The Church teaches that the family is the *domestic Church*.¹ This means that as parents, you have a deeper impact on your children's faith development than the employees of the Church as well as our Catholic Schools. Both the schools and ministers of the Church are present to support and reinforce your efforts. **Location of Preparation Classes:** St. Michael's Parish Hall - [511 Cheapside St, London, ON](#).

Structure of our Program

In the past both parents and their children have met once a month. However, much feedback from past parents has taught us that there are often time constraints. Therefore, we would like to offer alternating formative nights. That is to say, we as a team will meet with parents in one month, and your children in another. More will be explained when we meet in person. The basic thrust behind this approach is that you know your children better than we do, and you are likely more equipped to engage them on various topics depending upon their learning styles, maturity, and personality.

Style of Meetings

Each night will involve a similar format:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Presentation
3. Small Groups
4. Q & A and Follow Up

Upcoming Dates

October 25th 7-8:30 PM - Parent & Youth Night – **Introduction**

November 29th 7-8:30 PM - Youth Night – **What is Confirmation?**

December 20th 7-8:30 PM - Parent Night – **Who/What am I?**

January 24th 7-8:30 PM - Youth Night – **Who is God?**

February 28th 7-8:30 PM - Parent Night – **What is my Mission?**

March 28th 7-8:30 PM - Youth Night – **Gifts, Fruits, and Charisms of the Holy Spirit**

Night of Prayer (Encounter) & Rehearsal

May 9th 6:30 - 8:00 PM – Parent & Youth Night

Expectations

These sessions are a prerequisite for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Because the Sacrament is a sacred event, our preparation is a concrete way of ensuring that we approach God with reverence. We understand, however, that scheduling difficulties can arise. If this occurs, please let me know and he will try to accommodate in exceptional circumstances. Please contact me directly at: Cpietraszko@dol.ca

Sincerely,
Fr. Christopher M. Pietraszko

¹ St. John Paul II, *Familiaris Consortio*, pp 21, 49, 1981.



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REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION 2022 – 2023
 Please Send this Form to Cathryn Hall chall@dol.ca



CHILD'S FULL NAME	MALE <input type="checkbox"/>	FEMALE <input type="checkbox"/>
CITY OF BIRTH:	DATE OF BIRTH:	
	Day / Month / Year	
CHURCH & CITY OF BAPTISM:	BAPTISM DATE:	
	Day / Month / Year	

FATHER'S NAME:	SURNAME:	RELIGION:
FATHER'S ADDRESS:		
Unit/Apt	Street	Postal Code
PHONE NUMBER (H)	(W/C)	
MOTHER'S NAME:	MAIDEN NAME:	RELIGION:
MOTHER'S ADDRESS: <i>(If different than Father's)</i>		
Unit/Apt	Street	Postal Code
PHONE NUMBER (H)	(W/C)	
EMAIL:		
<input type="checkbox"/> By providing my email address I give St. Michael's/ St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica permission to contact me by email.		
CHILD'S SCHOOL:	GRADE:	TEACHER:

REGISTERED PARISHIONER: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

NOTE *Please attach a copy of Baptismal Certificate*

❖ As the parent/guardian of the child being registered, I understand I am the first teacher of faith and formation in my child's preparation for sacraments.

(Please sign)



CONFIRMATION DATES

Please confirm which you will attend; if you change the date later, please let us know as soon as possible.

St. Michael's Parish

- May 24th, 7:00 PM
- May 25th, 7:00 PM
- May 31st, 7:00 PM

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

- May 27th, 5:00 PM

Sponsor

A Sponsor should be 16 years of age, fully initiated into the Catholic faith, and a model of the faith which will encourage, accompany, and witness to the Catholic Faith. This particular role is sacred, as the Sponsor has a unique call to pray for, and practically support the student in their faith. Please supply the name of the Sponsor:

SPONSOR'S NAME: _____

Check List:

- Copy of child's Baptismal Certificate attached (*even if baptized at St. Michael's or St. Peter's*)
- All areas of registration form are completed
- Permission to take photographs is signed
- Select a date for the Sacrament of Confirmation
- Name a Sponsor

We look forward to journeying in faith with your family.

For Office Use Only:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Entered in DDMS | <input type="checkbox"/> Baptism Verified | <input type="checkbox"/> Entered in CONFIRMATION Register |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation Certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish of Baptism Contacted (if applicable) | |