

Our Lady of the Eucharist Parish Community

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our Lady of the Eucharist Parish Community has been scheduled for the joint celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in the spring of 2020. Every three years Bishop Bambera will be calling forth eighth graders from throughout the Diocese to come together for the celebration of the Sacrament. **Our students have been called to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 5PM at St. John the Evangelist Church.** Joining in that celebration will be the students from Queen of the Apostles, Avoca, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Dupont, St. John the Evangelist, Pittston, and St. Joseph Mareello, Pittston.

Since «FirstName» will be celebrating Confirmation, we are sending this letter to inform you about the preparation process that in September.

We have scheduled a meeting of all **parents and students** involved with the Confirmation Class in order that we can explain to you the preparation process. The meeting will be held on **Sunday, September 14, 2019**, beginning at **9:45 a.m.** in the Parish Hall. It is imperative that at least one parent be present for that meeting. Students are also expected to attend. At the meeting we will pass out the Confirmation manual as well as the schedule of preparation classes.

There is a \$50.00 registration fee for Confirmation. The registration fee covers some of the costs of books, supplies and the Confirmation retreat. **Although the fee is normally required, money should not be a hindrance for the religious education of your child. If the fee proves to be a burden to your family, please contact one of us to discuss the matter.**

We will begin the **Confirmation Classes** for all students who are to be confirmed, starting on **Sunday, September 21, 2019, from 9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.** These are special classes in preparation for Confirmation. As a result, all students, those in **public school, home-schooled classes and Catholic school**, must attend.

We know that everyone has a very busy schedule. But all of us are called upon to consider what the priorities in our lives must be. The process of preparation for Confirmation needs to be a priority for these students at this time in their lives. Our united efforts are to help these students realize the responsibilities we all have to be present and participate in our Parish Weekend Liturgies, to offer service to others who are in need, to spend time in prayer, to come to know and love God above all things.

Once again, we thank you for your interest in «FirstName»'s preparation for Confirmation. We, as the Parish Community of Our Lady of the Eucharist, offer our prayers and support for your child. If you have any questions with regard to the Confirmation preparation program, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,
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