

## Confirmation Information:

**When: Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 4PM.** Candidates and sponsors **MUST** report into the Cabrini Center at **3:15** for final instructions, lining up. NOTE: If there is a heavy rain before Mass, we will not process in to Mass, so go directly to the Church. More details about this will come at the rehearsal.

**Rehearsal:** Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM in the church. (Approx 30 minutes.)

**Attire:** the young men must wear suits or sport jackets with dress pants (not jeans), shirts with a collar, and ties. Appropriate dress shoes must also be worn, not sneakers or work boots. The young ladies must wear a tasteful dress or blouse and skirt with hems to at least just above the knee or longer. Shoulders must be covered (no halter tops or backless tops). If the top has “spaghetti straps” there must also be a sweater or small jacket covering. As with the young men, the young ladies must wear appropriate shoes; please no flip flops. These guidelines apply to sponsors as well—although female sponsors may certainly wear pants suitable for formal occasions. Any tasteful color is fine, but if you’d like to dress for the Easter season, the liturgical colors of Easter are gold/yellow and white.

**No photography:** To maintain the dignity of the Mass and the administration of the Sacrament of Confirmation, families are asked to remain seated. The parish will seek volunteer photographers to take photos of each candidate during the reception of the Sacrament. If a family member (not a sponsor) would like to contribute their time, photographic skills and cameras, please see Mr. Patenaude. Two photographers would be needed (as there are two lines) for the taking of a photo for each candidate.

**Final interview:** Candidates must meet with me for a 15-20 minute final interview. They must know the following: **The Our Father, the Seven Sacraments (their names and functions), the general definition of a Sacrament, the Ten Commandments, and the Apostles’ Creed.** They must also be able to comfortably discuss important matters of their faith, such as the Trinity, the Communion of Saints, the fundamentals of scripture, etc. Interviews will be taking place on the evenings of April 13-16. Signup information will be in the bulletin within the next few weeks.

Candidates **MUST** have turned in **a Saint Name by March 29 AT THE LATEST.** We need this information for the final program listing, etc., **Service project write ups can be brought to the final interview. But a service project write up is required.**

**IMPORTANT: IF THE CANDIDATE WAS NOT BAPTIZED (OR IF THEY DID NOT MAKE THEIR FIRST COMMUNION) AT ST. MARK’S, THEN A COPY OF THE BAPTISM CERTIFICATE FROM THEIR BAPTIZING PARISH MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY APRIL 5<sup>th</sup>.**