

Confirmation packet – completed packet due August 27, 2010

Checklist:

- Application – ALL blanks filled in**

- Confirmation Fee – make check payable to St. Gregory the Great Family Faith Formation**
 - **\$100 Catholic school candidates** (\$75 Confirmation fee + \$25 processing fee)
 - **\$75 Public school candidates** (processing fee already paid at the time of fall registration)

- Copy of Baptismal Certificate – if not baptized at St. Gregory the Great**

- Sponsor letter of recommendation** –sponsors should get a letter from their church stating that they can be a sponsor

- Service Report-** completely filled out with 10 hours of recorded service, Mass attendance, and the reflection on the back of the card (if you need a replacement card it can be printed from the website)

- Choosing of a Christian Name form**

- Robe Reservation and Retreat Choice form**

Important: Everything on this check list must be included or the packet will be returned to you. Please turn in the required items in a sealed envelope.

QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SPONSOR

The sponsor chosen by the candidate must be spiritually qualified and satisfy these requirements:

- is sufficiently mature for this role
- is a Roman Catholic and a participating member of his/her parish
- has been initiated in the three sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation
- is willing to give example and to encourage the faith life of the candidate

Additional Information:

- it is desirable that the godparent at Baptism, if able, also be the sponsor at Confirmation
- according to the revised Code of Canon Law, A **single** sponsor for each candidate should be chosen. **A PARENT MAY NOT BE A SPONSOR**
- the sponsor does not have to be of the same sex as the candidate
- it is highly desirable that the sponsor be a participating member of St. Gregory's Parish or a parish located in the area

The following conditions would exclude persons from taking the role of a sponsor:

- has not been Confirmed
- does not attend Mass or receive Holy Communion regularly
- parents who fail to see to the Religious Education of their school aged children
- those who give public scandal
- Easter Duty neglected or omitted
- married outside the Church
- divorced persons who have remarried outside the Church

A letter of recommendation is a letter from a sponsor's home parish stating that the sponsor is a member in good standing who fulfills the qualifications for sponsorship. Sponsors from St. Gregory's must meet the above qualifications, though they do not have to obtain individual letters.

Candidate's name: (first, last) _____

The Choosing of a Christian Name

Many people choose an additional saint's name at Confirmation. The preferred name, however, is the baptismal name because it expresses the relationship that exists between Baptism and Confirmation. If a new name is taken, however, it should be the name of a recognized saint of the Catholic Church. If the baptismal name is not that of a recognized saint, a new name should be chosen for Confirmation. Names of saints are chosen to serve as patrons and models for those being confirmed. Candidates should choose a patron saint's name, not because of the attractiveness of the name, but because of the attractiveness of the Christian life that person led.

Find out more about your patron saint's life.

Choose either your baptismal or confirmed patron.

Saint's Name: _____

Feast Day: _____

Patron Saint of:

Name or derivative you have selected to use to honor this special patron:

Saint's Place of Birth: _____

Find out something about this saint's:

Family:

Occupation:

Life and/or death:

What virtues did this saint practice in his/her life?

Retreat Choice – you must attend 1 retreat

Candidate's name: (first, last) _____

- November 13-14 weekend retreat** – Less than \$40 fee to pay for food and lodging (due in October - you will be called)
- January 16th – Sunday (MLK long weekend)
- ~~January 30th Sunday~~ **CLOSED**
- February 13th - Sunday
- February 21st – Monday during winter break

Confirmation Robe Reservation:

Candidate's name: (first, last) _____

Phone Number _____ email address _____

Size (please check one) (measure height with heels)

- XXSMALL (UP TO 4' 11", up to 130 lbs)
- X SMALL (4' 12" to 5' 1", up to 150 lbs)
- SMALL (5' 2" to 5' 4", up to 170 lbs)
- MEDIUM (5' 5" to 5' 7", up to 200 lbs)
- MEDIUM/LARGE (5' 8" to 5' 10", up to 210 lbs)
- LARGE (5' 11" to 6' 1", up to 225 lbs)
- XLARGE (6' 2" to 6' 4", up to 240 lbs)
- XXLARGE (6' 5 AND UP, up to 260 lbs)