

Director's Welcome

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back as you continue on the path to which Christ has called you. Each person's journey is unique, and each of us experiences our call to know, love, and serve our Lord in ways that He reveals to our hearts. Your relationship with Jesus Christ will grow as you commit yourself to live your life of Discipleship.

Catholic faith formation is a life-long journey that began with your Baptism and will continue for the rest of your life. As you move onward towards Confirmation, you are challenged to reflect and discern what it truly means to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ. Preparing for Confirmation will lead you toward a more intimate union with God our Creator, Christ our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sanctifier. Being aware of the actions and biddings of the Holy Spirit will help you lead a Christian life. Your Confirmation will perfect the grace given to you at your Baptism. Through the gifts that you will receive from the Holy Spirit you will strengthen your bond with the church, Christ's body on earth, and be better able to live the Church's mission of bringing Christ to the world.

As you journey towards Confirmation, you do not travel alone. Our faith community is with you. The entire Body of Christ is renewed as it accompanies you down the path. Supporting and praying for you is a parish family that includes your priests, parents/guardians, families, sponsors, catechists, and fellow parishioners. This year you will continue to prepare yourself mentally and spiritually through:

Participation in the Sacraments: Attending mass each week, and receiving Holy Communion preserves, increases, and renews the life of the grace received at Baptism. To grow in your Christian life you need this nourishment.

Structured Catechesis: Students meet regularly with their catechists and fellow students to grow in wisdom, knowledge, and understanding of their faith. Teens learn how to live their faith in today's world.

Community Building: You will have the opportunity to attend large group gatherings and events, Life Nights, and XLT. You will also attend Track 2 retreat. This away retreat will bring together all the students for a weekend of praise, worship, and faith building.

Service: You will also put your faith into action by responding to God's grace through service to the Church and community, bringing the love of Christ to all those in need.

My prayer for each of you is that you will hear the Holy Spirit as He calls you each by name, and that you will follow Him wherever He leads...

In His Service

