


ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
Confirmation Projects Checklist 2024/2025

“Parents are the primary religious educators of their children.” Vatican II

Parents are asked to keep track of the following projects/events and make sure their child completes them by the required date. Attendance each week at Sunday Mass and religion class, the reading and understanding of the Gospels, and a basic understanding of the Catholic faith are a necessary part of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Thank you in advance for being your child’s main guide during this preparation.

	Event/Project	Description	Date of Event or Date of Explanation	Time	Due Date or Explanation
#1 ___ #2 ___ #3 ___ #4 ___	GIFT Meetings	Gathered in Faith Together (GIFT) meetings for parents & students	1. September 18, 2024 2. October 9, 2024 3. November 13, 2024 4. TBD, 2025	6:30 to 8:00 p.m. 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.	Parents attend all GIFT nights except GIFT 4; Sponsors attend GIFT 4 to practice with students and are welcome to all other GIFT sessions.
—	Sponsor Letter (p.2) & Form (p.12)	Invitation to sponsor and form. Sponsor should be a practicing Catholic, at least 16 years of age, who is a good role model. Parents cannot be sponsors.	Form given to parents as part of project packet at September 18 GIFT meeting		Sponsor Form due on October 16, 2024
—	General Information Form (p.13)	Information necessary for parish record book	Form given to parents as part of project packet at September 18 GIFT meeting		Due on October 16, 2024
—	Saint Name Research (p.3)	Research paper on saint chosen as Confirmation name.	Introduced at Sept 18 GIFT meeting. Further explained to students in class on September 25.		Saint report will be due in class on October 23, 2024
—	Letter to St. Philip the Apostle Parish (p.4)		Form given to parents as part of project packet at September 18 GIFT meeting		First Draft due November 6, 2024 Final due December 4, 2024
—	Confirmation Coat of Arms (p.12)	What do I stand for? Graphic representation of student’s life and beliefs	Explained to students in class on November 13. Form given to parents as part of project packet at September 18 GIFT meeting		Due December 4, 2024 Will be discussed by students in class in December.
—	Meet My Sponsor Booklet (p.5)	A booklet introducing the student’s sponsor Will be given to sponsor at GIFT 4 meeting.	Description given to parents as part of project packet at September 18 GIFT meeting. Explained to students in class on October 9.		Due at December 4 class; will be discussed again at GIFT 4 Meeting
—	Community Service (p.7-10)	Service is a key element of Catholic life. Student should be involved in four different service experiences for others outside of family without pay	Forms given to parents as part of project packet at September 18 GIFT meeting		Due on January 8
—	Confirmation Interview	Candidates will talk about their readiness for Confirmation			TBD
—	Reconciliation & Night of Reflection		January 8, 2025	6:30 to 8:00 p.m.	
—	Confirmation Liturgy		TBD	Time: TBD Arrive by: TBD	