



**St. Philip the Apostle Parish
Religious Education Program**

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Dear Parents:

Your child's reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on Saturday, February 5, 2022. Thank you for your involvement in the process, and we encourage you to bring your family to church each week to deepen their faith experience.

Due to the large class size of the 2022 Confirmandi, and the surge in the numbers of COVID-19, we are limiting attendance to Confirmandi, sponsor, and two parents. Our church is simply not big enough to accommodate any more people at this time.

Bishop Ron Hicks will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Saturday, February 5, at 11:00 am. Candidates and sponsors should arrive in the gym no later than 10:30 a.m.**

The **procession** of candidates and sponsors will begin at **10:45 a.m. sharp**; parents should be in church and seated by then.

MASKS MUST BE WORN FOR THE ENTIRETY OF THE EVENT BY ALL IN ATTENDANCE.

Protocol: If you have had a recent exposure to COVID-19, or have any symptoms, please stay home! We will arrange a makeup time for the Sacrament. Please always social distance, wear a mask, and wash your hands!

Confirmandi will wear red robes. Girls should wear a dress or dress pants and a blouse and dress shoes with appropriate heels (no flip-flops, please). Boys should wear dress pants, a dress shirt with a tie, and dress shoes. A suit or sports coat is optional. Sponsors are strongly encouraged to follow the same dress code.

We anticipate the Liturgy will take about an hour. Bishop Hicks will not stay for photos in the gym after the liturgy. Tom Killoran, a professional photographer, will take photos of your child receiving the Sacrament. Photos will be printed and available for purchase immediately following the Mass. One 5x7 is \$15, or 2 for \$25.

If you have any questions, please call the Religious Education Office at **630-543-1754**.

Sincerely,

Nancy McKnight, Faith Formation Director
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