

2022/2023 Schedule for Candidate Preparation of Confirmation

	Candidate registration form with sponsor and baptismal information is due as soon as possible and by May 1. At least 5 hours of service is due by May 1.
End of Month: Feb 2022-Sept 2022	Sunday Mass Reflection Forms are due by the end each month for a total of 7 months
September 2022	Confirmation preparation meeting for parents, sponsors (if available) and youth preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation is held. The Confirmation candidate binder is handed out. Sponsor and youth work continues on the Confirmation text. At least 20 hours of service is due.
Fri, Oct. 7—Sun, Oct. 9	Confirmation Retreat at Bethany House, DeWitt, MI. Candidate is required to attend only one of the two retreats that are scheduled.
Fri, Nov. 4—Sun, Nov. 6	Confirmation Retreat at Bethany House, DeWitt, MI. Candidate is required to attend only one of the two retreats that are scheduled.
January 2023	or if needed Alternative Retreat: A Confirmation virtual retreat with prayer, scripture, reflection, and witness will take the place of the in-person retreat.
January 30, 2023	Confirmation Name Form due Service (use the online site at: https://www.x2vol.com/Login.html to document 30 hours of service) are due.
February 2023	Sponsor, Parent and Candidate Preparation Meeting: Sponsor (if available), parent and candidate meeting will be held. Meeting includes educational activities on the Sacrament, review of the text and information regarding the Saint report. The Confirmation text chapters are to be completed. Sign up for Interviews. Begin Saint Report.
March/April 2023	Interviews of candidates. An oral report about the Saint/holy person chosen for the Confirmation name will be asked of the candidate at the interview. The Confirmation text will be checked for completion. Understanding of the Sacrament will be reviewed and the candidate's desire for Confirmation determined.
April/May 2023	Confession before Confirmation (sponsor and candidate)
May/June 2023	Rehearsal for Confirmation in Church.
May/June 2023	Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation during Mass.

Dress Guidelines:

Girls: Modest dress with sleeves, or skirt and top with sleeves, dress slacks, dress shoes and stockings.

Boys: Dress shirt, dress pants, dress shoes (Sport coat, suit, and tie is optional).

Certificates: Certificates for Confirmation will be available just prior to Mass.