



St. Mark's Confirmation Schedule 2017-2018

2407 Laurel Brook Road Fallston, MD 21047

(443)981-3190

Sundays from 6:30pm-8pm



September 10: Kickoff and Worthy of the Call training: 5pm-8pm

September 24: Session 1

October 8: Session 2

October 22: Session 3-Sponsor Night

October 29: No Class; attend and help with Trunk-or-Treat

November 5: Session 4

November 19: Session 5

*December 2: Winter Wonders

December 10: Session 6-Sponsor Night

*December 15-17 Confirmation Retreat

January 7: Session 7

January 21: Session 8

February 11: Session 9- Sponsor Night

February 25: Session 10

March 11: Session 11/Saint Presentations

March 25: Session 12/Saint Presentations

April 15: Session 13/Saint Presentations/**Service Paperwork Due!**

April 29: Session 14- Sponsor night

**Not a Sunday night event*

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts of the Apostles 1:8

Service Requirements:

Service is an important part of our Catholic faith, which is why it is such a vital part of the Confirmation journey. For your service requirements, you will need to complete service in **ALL** of the following ways:

- **Community Service:** Finding a way to help your neighbors, local non-profit groups (food bank), or even helping at church!
- **Youth Group Service:** Pick at least one service event the youth group organizes and attend.
- **School Service:** Find a way to volunteer at school, whether it's a school event, club, or even helping your teachers after school.
- **Service at Home:** Help your family and friends! Clean out the garage, shovel the driveway all winter, make dinner for your family, etc. This can also be completed by doing service in your community with your family. A minimum of 3 hours is required if you are completing this service in your own household.

Once you have finished each section, please complete and hand in the attached Service Form Completion sheet. Home service can be signed by a parent. All forms must be handed in by **April 15th**!

Saint Presentations:

During the last few classes, each candidate will be asked to present a short report on the saint they have chosen for confirmation. This is necessary so that each candidate is able to get to know their saint before they are confirmed. They will be asked to present to their small groups a short summary of their saint that should be no longer than 5 minutes. This presentation **MUST** include the following:

- A picture/statue of the saint.
- Saint's Name
- Date of birth and death
- Feast Day
- What they are the patron of.
- A short summary of their life.
- One miracle performed by the saint in their life or after their death.
- Why they chose them.
- A prayer written by/for the saint.

All presentations must be prepared by March 11th. Presentations do not have to be memorized.

Attendance Policy:

Since catechetical formation is fundamental in the eyes of the Roman Catholic Church, Roman Catholics are obligated to receive suitable catechesis before they receive the celebration of the sacraments (Code of Canon Law 777.1). With this being said, it's pivotal that Confirmation candidates at St. Mark's attend all preparation sessions, the Confirmation retreat in December, and attend mass every Sunday. If exceptional circumstances (i.e. car accident, illness, hospitalization, death of a family member) arise and prevent the candidate from being at a session, please email Maria at mstoey@saintmarkfallston.org or call her at (443)981-3190 to make her aware of your child's absence. If this is the case, a make-up packet will be sent home. All classes must be made up before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Final Note to Parents:

Preparation for the Sacraments of the Catholic Church is a beautiful time for your child. As their primary teachers of the faith, this is a great opportunity for you to walk with your child as they learn to grow deeper in their relationship with Christ. They will be learning a lot about Catholicism in this next year, and may have questions about how to go deeper into the Sacraments. I encourage you to guide them, help them, and learn with them this year. Thank you for involving them in the process to receive their sacraments, and please feel free to come to me with any questions or concerns you or your son or daughter might have. I am very excited to enter into this journey with you and your family.

God Bless,

Maria Stoey
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries
St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church
(443)981-3190 or (443)299-6489 x113

Service Form Completion

Service completed (Circle one): Community Youth Group School Home

Total hours of service: _____

Description of service: _____

Supervisor (please print): _____

Supervisor Signature: _____

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