

Confirmation I- Orientation

- Confirmation- Is a two-year process, no exceptions. The Sacrament will take place in the spring of 10th grade.
- Communication- All communication is primarily done via email. Please remember to check your emails prior to coming to class. Cancellations, reminders and other important information is always emailed. i.e. snow dates & class cancellations
Use common sense, if it's bad out stay home. Don't rely on the TV
My email is kshamansky@gmail.com
- Community service obligation: You are required to complete 30 hours of service by April 1, 2020. You are required to do 15 hours in year one and 15 hours in year two. Do not wait until the last minute. Emails will go home when I have a service opportunity for you. 10th graders get first refusal. Service that is done for school or an outside organization is accepted also. You do not need to use my form, I provide it for your convenience.
- Mass- Your attendance at Mass each week is mandatory. This is your primary source of religion and required by your faith. Faith Formation is only a supplement to what is supposed to be taught at home and what you are learning in church. It is important that your primary support go to our parish. Without the support, our doors will close. Also using your envelopes is important and shows your active in the church so if you need to be a sponsor for someone you can.
- Workshop- Students and one parent are required to attend a workshop. Our guest speaker, Mary Ronan is a nurse, educator and author. For 25 years, she has been doing these workshops for teens and parents. Loving for life (Morality, Sexuality) is the topic for our workshop. This will take place next year. A reminder will go out prior to the event.
- Proper behavior and dress for Church – Cell phones must be turned off, no gum, and participation is a must. We will go over proper behavior in church, how to walk up for Communion, receive Communion and participation. No sloppy clothes, flip/flops, or parts of your body showing that do not need to be. Jeans are okay (no holes or stains) and t-shirts are fine but NO logo's on them. No Hooded sweatshirts please.
- Mass Participation – Everyone is required to participate in the Mass at least one class. I will assign you a job the day of class. They consist of greeting, passing the baskets or gift bearing.
- Class expectations – Participation and attendance (too few classes to miss any), respect for the teachers and others in your class. Completing assignments and attending required workshop. If these are not being met, a phone call will be made home and your child will only be welcome back to the next class if a parent attends with him/her. If it continues, it will be decided if your child will be removed from the class and required to repeat the grade the following year in order to be confirmed.
- Prayer test- you will have a written prayer test in the spring. If you pass, you do not need to take it next year.
- Our program this year is designed by Matthew Kelly. The Archdiocese of Hartford has asked that all parishes use this program for confirmation. It consists of 12, 2 hour lesson plans that I will use for the two years that you are here. We only have, 14 classes which is why your attendance is so important. We will also touch base on the important things in our faith such as; the sacraments, the works of mercy, the beatitudes and the mass.