

**St. John the Evangelist Parish
Religious Education Program
Confirmation Details 2011/2012**

All Grade 9 & Grade 10 Confirmation Students

Attendance:

All Grade 9 & Grade 10 Confirmation students must participate in no fewer than nine class meetings each of the two years.

Service:

All Grade 9 & Grade 10 Confirmation students should complete twenty-five hours of service over the two year period. Students should keep a log detailing the service(s) completed and the number of hours associated with each type of service. Upon completing the twenty-five hours and before being Confirmed, all students must submit a *Report on Community Service* signed by the student and a parent. This form is found at www.stjohnwellesley.org.

Retreats:

All Grade 9 & Grade 10 Confirmation students should participate in at least one retreat each of the two years. The Parish is offering three retreats this year. The dates for the retreats are November 6, 2011, January 8, 2012 and February 12, 2012. Retreat hours are 1 PM – 6 PM. (Class will follow.)

Grade 10 Confirmation Students Only

Sponsor:

All Grade 10 Confirmation students must choose a sponsor. A form identifying the sponsor must be completed and returned to the Religious Education office by November 20, 2011. Sponsors must be Confirmed, practicing Catholics and not the parent. The form will be distributed in class and is also available at www.stjohnwellesley.org.

Confirmation Name:

Grade 10 Confirmation students may choose a Confirmation name or may use their Baptismal name. (Today, the Church recommends using the Baptismal name.)

Letter Requesting Confirmation:

All Grade 10 Confirmation students must write a letter to Fr. Tom requesting the sacrament of Confirmation. Guidelines for the letter are available at www.stjohnwellesley.org. Letters are due prior to scheduling their conversation with Fr. Tom or Sr. Evelyn.

Conversations:

Upon completion of the letter to Fr. Tom, students will sign-up to have one-on-one conversations with either Fr. Tom or Sr. Evelyn. Conversations will be scheduled in the spring and will last 15 – 20 minutes.

Robes:

Robes will be ordered for all Confirmation students. Sizing information will be collected in the spring and robes will be distributed at Confirmation practice.

Confirmation Practice:

Confirmation practice will be held on April 30, 2012 from 7:00 – 8:15 PM. Students should report to Philbin Hall in the lower level of St. John School. Sponsors do not need to attend this practice.

Confirmation Date:

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated with Most Reverend John Dooher on May 1, 2012 at 7:00 PM. Candidates and sponsors will gather in Philbin Hall at 6:15 PM.