

St Anselm's Parish
Southall

**Confirmation
Programme**

2019
TUESDAY GROUP



If you are in year 9 at school (or older but not yet confirmed) and you would like to be confirmed on **Friday 12 July 2019**, please complete and return the Application Form together with a copy of your **Baptism Certificate** to the Parish Office by **Sunday 6th January 2019** at the latest.

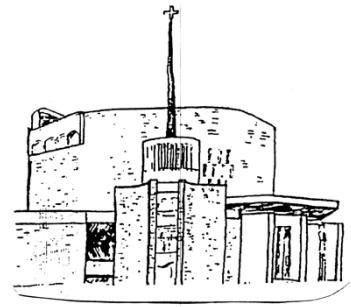
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AN INVITATION TO YOU

Dear Candidate

Confirmation is a precious gift of grace won for us by Jesus Christ through his death on the cross. So, if you want to be confirmed, you need to receive this gift in the right way. You need to be practising your faith. This means at the very least you should be coming to Mass every Sunday. You need to keep free all the dates in the Confirmation Programme. Most important of all, you must prepare seriously and actively to receive the sacrament.

You are invited to be confirmed on Friday 12 July 2019 and we welcome you to the programme of preparation that begins in January next year. The decision you reach to ask to be prepared for this great sacrament is a serious one. Before you decide you need to take note of all the dates and times of events on the attached sheet and be able to accept responsibility for attending.

As a parish we consider that being confirmed is such a great moment in the life of every committed Catholic that a complete and full programme is offered to you. A team of catechists and other helpers will work with you so that you will enjoy the six months of preparation.

Commitment involves the following:

- Confirmation meetings
- Regular attendance at Sunday Mass
- One Day of Reflection
- Participation in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The Confirmation Programme for Group 2 will begin with an Introductory Session for Young people and parents on Monday 7 January at 6 p.m. in the Parish Centre.

The Day of Reflection on Saturday 9 March is another important aspect of preparation so please take special note of the date.

If you feel you can make this commitment and would like to be prepared for Confirmation, please complete the registration form and return it together with a copy of your baptism certificate to the Rectory no later than Sunday 6 January 2019 and marked CONFIRMATION.

Dear Parents

It is a privilege to be involved in preparing your child to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. It is an important step that the candidates undertake, and your encouragement and support will be not only invaluable, but also necessary.

Your son or daughter will attend the sessions for candidates and you are invited to the parish centre for talks and discussions at an adult level on Confirmation and other aspects of our faith. The candidates' sessions and the adults' sessions are so arranged that each complements the other and you are therefore urged to attend.

Your child will be given assignments from one month to the next for which your help will be needed. Sponsors are also very welcome to these evenings and, for those who are able to come, it is an excellent opportunity to understand just what being a sponsor really means.

One of the major ways in which you can support your child is to ensure that all the dates in the attached sheet are firmly entered into your diary and that they take priority over other events. Please make particular note of the **Day of Reflection on Saturday 9 March 2019 from 10.00 - 4.00 p.m. Venue TBC.**

The confirmation ceremony will take place on **Friday 12 July at 7 p.m.** To help us celebrate this occasion as prayerfully and beautifully as possible, please note that **the use of videos/cameras/flash and recording equipment of any kind is not permitted at any stage during the Mass.**

Photographs with the Bishop may be taken at the end of Mass.

COME HOLY SPIRIT

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2019

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>SESSIONS</u>	<u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>
Mon 7 Jan	6 pm	Introduction for Parents & Young People	
Sun 13 Jan	11.30 am	Mass of Enrolment	
Tue 15 Jan	5 pm	Confirmation class (Young People Intro)	Session 1
Tue 22 Jan	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 2
Tue 29 Jan	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 3
Tue 5 Feb	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 4
Tue 12 Feb	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 5
			Half term: Mon 18 Feb - Fri 22 Feb 2019
Tue 26 Feb	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 6
	7 pm	Meeting for Young People and Parents	
Sat 9 Mar	10.00 am – 4 pm	Confirmation class	Day of Reflection (7-10)
			Ash Wednesday 6 March 2019
Tue 12 Mar	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 11
Tue 19 Mar	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 12

Tue 26 Mar	5 pm	Confirmation class	Session 13
			Easter Holiday: Mon 8 April - Mon 22 April 2019
29 Apr	6 pm	Meeting for Young People/Sponsors/Parents The Rite of Confirmation	
Tue 7 May	5 pm	Baptised into the Church	
Tue 14 May	5 pm	What is Confirmation?	
Tue 21 May	5 pm	The Holy Eucharist	
			Half term: Mon 27 May - Fri 31 May 2019
Tue 4 Jun	5 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Fri 5 July	6.30 pm	Rehearsal for Confirmation	
Fri 12 July	7 pm	Celebration of Confirmation	

