

Saint Jerome Catholic Church

5550 Thornburn Street, Los Angeles, CA 90045

Confirmation Year 1

Student First and Last Name: _____ ☐ M ☐ F

Date of Birth: _____ City of Birth: _____

Baptism Date: _____ Parish Name: _____

1st Communion Date: _____ Parish Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Mother's/Guardian Full Name: _____

Mother's/Guardian Cell Phone: _____

Mother's/Guardian Email: _____

Father's/Guardian Full Name: _____

Father's/Guardian Cell Phone: _____

Father's/Guardian Email Address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

T-Shirt Size: _____ School: _____ Grade _____

After school activities: _____

Health Conditions/Allergies: _____

I wish to receive email and/or text message updates/reminders from St Jerome Parish and the Confirmation Program using www.flocknote.com

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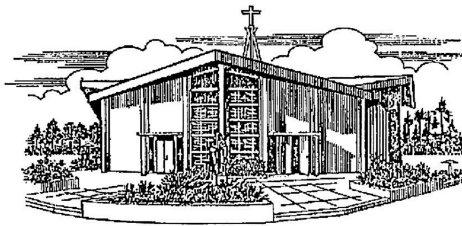
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**By signing you agree to these terms as stated above



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What is the last year of Religious Education your child has attended?

Living Arrangements: With both Parents / ☐ With Father / ☐ With Mother / ☐
With Guardian / ☐

Are there any custody issues or a restraining order in place? Yes ☐ No ☐

If "yes", enclose a copy of the most recent applicable court order(s).

Given the nature of the program, does your child or youth have any physical, mental, emotional, cognitive, or other limitations or restrictions that would require the parish to make a minor adjustment to enable your child or youth to participate? Yes ☐ No ☐

If "yes", what type of restriction does your child or youth have or what adjustment(s) will be needed

Information Consent:

_____ I give permission to Saint Jerome Church to release MY CHILD'S contact information to receive text/email communication for use through Flocknote.

_____ I do NOT give permission to Saint Jerome Church to release MY CHILD'S contact information to receive text/email communication for use through Flocknote.

Parent/Guardian Name(Printed)

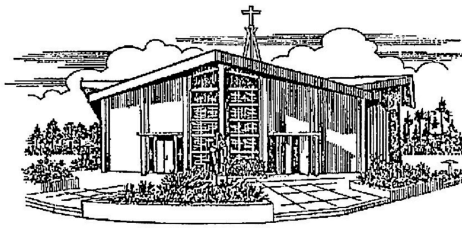
Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Child's Cell Phone Number

(Leave blank if not applicable)

Child's Email Address



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Minor Permission and Waiver Form

Event/Program: Confirmation Year I

Location: Saint Jerome Parish Hall

Date: September 2020-May 2021

Drop-Off/Pick-Off: Saint Jerome Parish Hall

Important Information:

Participant Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Other Emergency Contact: _____

Relationship to Participant: _____ Phone: _____

Family Physician: _____ Phone: _____

Insurance: _____ Policy Number: _____

Allergies/Medical Issues/Special Needs: _____

I, the Parent/Guardian of the above named child, hereby give my permission for his/her participation in the youth activities named above. I agree to direct my child to cooperate and conform to directions and instructions of parish, school, or archdiocesan personnel responsible for youth activities.

As a condition of my child being allowed to do so, through this document, I hereby release and discharge the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, its constituent organizations including but not limited to The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles, a Corporation Sole, St. Jerome Parish Community, and their officers, employees and volunteers from any and all claims for personal injuries or property damage that he/she may suffer as a result of his/her participation in the activity described above, whether or not such injuries or damages are caused by negligence, (active or passive), of any of the entities, or individuals named or described above.

I give permission to the youth activities supervisory personnel then present to seek medical treatment should it be necessary for my son/daughter and to authorize any and all appropriate tests and treatment deemed necessary by the attending physician in the case of a medical emergency. This authority is granted only after a reasonable effort has been made to reach me. I, hereby, authorize the making of photographs, videotapes, recordings, or other memorializing of said event. I, hereby, waive any right to compensation.

Parent/Guardian Name(Printed)

Parent/Guardian Signature

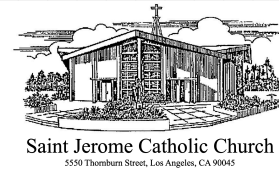
Date

Parent/Guardian Authorization to use Child's image, name, voice, and/or work for non-commercial purposes

This section is to be completed by Archdiocese/School/Parish

Archdiocese/School/Parish: Saint Jerome Catholic Church

Class/Activity: Confirmation Year I



The Archdiocese/School/Parish intends to use your child's image, name, voice, and/or work for the following non-commercial purposes (describe class/activity, date(s) if applicable): In the Bulletin or on the Website

The following person(s)/entity not connected to the Archdiocese/School/Parish will be involved in the class/activity: N/A

This section is to be completed by Parent/Guardian:

I, _____, am the parent or legal guardian of _____ (child's name), a minor (age: ____). I hereby authorize the Archdiocese/School/Parish to use the following personal information about my child:

Please initial the applicable boxes

Image/Visual Likeness: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Name: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Voice: ☐ Yes ☐ No
Work: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I understand and agree that my child's image, name, voice, and/or work (the "Personal Information") will be used for the particular reasons identified above. I further understand and agree that the Archdiocese/School/Parish may use the Personal Information for other non-commercial purposes, including, but not limited to, publicity, exhibits, electronic media broadcasts or research. I understand and agree that the Personal Information, photographs, or electronic recordings of my child may be copied, edited, and distributed by the Archdiocese/School/Parish in publications, catalogues, brochures, books, magazines, exhibits, films, videotapes, CDs, DVDs, email messages, websites, or any other form now known or later developed (the "Materials"). The Archdiocese/School/Parish may use the Personal Information at its sole discretion, with or without my child's name or with a fictitious name, and with accurate or fictitious biographical material. The Archdiocese/School/Parish will not use the Personal Information for improper purposes or in a manner inconsistent with the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. I waive any right to inspect or approve any Materials that may be created using the Personal Information now and in the future. While the Archdiocese/School/Parish will take care to maintain the particular intents and purposes of the photographs or electronic recordings, editing may be necessary to obtain the best results. I release and discharge the Archdiocese/School/Parish and its employees and agents from any liability that may arise out of the making or editing of the photographs or electronic recordings, including but not limited to, distortion, blurring, alteration, optical, or auditory illusion or use in a composite form. In exchange for the Archdiocese/School/Parish's giving my child an opportunity to participate in the class/activity, I hereby agree that neither I, nor my child, will receive monetary compensation, royalties, or credit for use of the photographs or electronic recordings by the Archdiocese/School/Parish. I understand and agree that the Archdiocese/School/Parish shall be the owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in the photographs, electronic recordings and Materials. If the Archdiocese/School/Parish intends to use the Materials for a commercial purpose, I will be provided at the time with information about the terms of the commercial use.

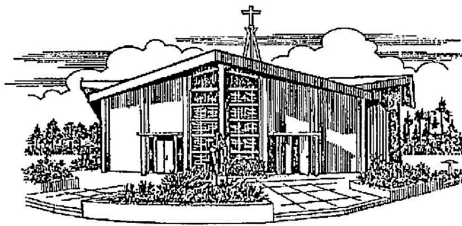
I hereby waive, release, and forever discharge any and all claims, demands, or causes of action against the Archdiocese/School/Parish and its employees, agents, contractors, and any other person, organization, or entity assisting them with the photography, electronic recording or Materials, for damages or injuries in any way related to, or arising from the photography, electronic recording or Materials, or the use of the Personal Information, and I expressly assume the risk of any resulting injury or damage. I further understand and agree that this Authorization remains in effect until it is withdrawn in writing. I understand that if I change my mind about this Authorization, that I will submit another, new authorization form to the Archdiocese/School/Parish. However, my new authorization will not have the effect of revoking this Authorization, and the Archdiocese/School/Parish will have no duty or obligation to make any changes or alterations to any Materials that may have been prepared based on this Authorization.

I represent that I have read this Authorization, understand the contents, and am able to grant the rights and waivers it contains. I understand that the terms of this Authorization are contractual and not mere recitals. I am signing this document freely and voluntarily.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Relationship to Child: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____



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“For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.” — Jeremiah 29:11

As a baptized Catholic, I am preparing for reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation, by which I will be more perfectly bound to the Catholic Church and enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the Faith as a witness of Christ.

As a candidate for Confirmation, I promise the following:

- I will approach my Confirmation journey with an open mind and an open heart.
- I will attend and will fully participate in all Life Nights and Confirmation sessions and activities.
- I will be respectful of the leaders and facilitators of the program and show appreciation for their time and effort.
- I will show respect to those in my class who are on the journey with me.
- I will attend Mass every Sunday and on all holy days of obligation.
- I will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before my Confirmation.
- I will accept more responsibility in my family, parish, and community by putting my talents and gifts at the service of others.
- I will commit to daily prayer, praying especially for growth in faith, hope, and love.

As I make these promises, I ask God to give me the grace to be open to His plans for my life—plans He reveals to me in prayer, in my talents and aspirations, and in the encouragement of those who know and love. I know place myself in the loving embrace of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in making for help in fulfilling this commitment.

Name of Candidate

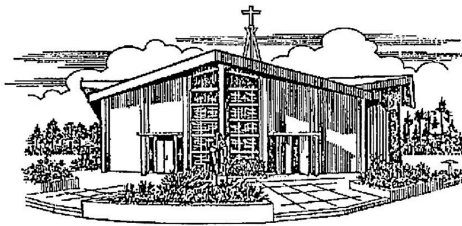
Signature of Candidate

Date

Witnessed by:

Signature of Candidate's Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Date



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The Role of Parents in the Confirmation Preparation Process

As the primary educators of your children, parents, along with sponsors, are to be intimately involved in catechesis for Confirmation. This will help you renew and strengthen your own faith, to set a better example for your children. The parents program is the involvement of parents in the Catechetical Preparation of their teenager and is an integral part of the Confirmation Process. This reparation process is intended to challenge the candidates to examine their faith life and at the same time it calls parents to conversion and to new growth in faith.

During the course of the year, parents are expected to participate in meetings through countering to bring food, donating their time and talent.

As a parent, I promise to: (Initial each one)

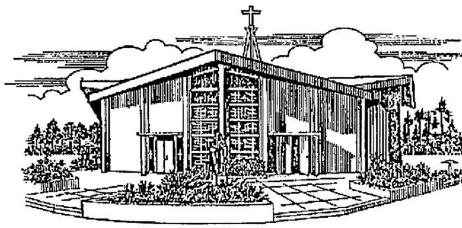
- _____ Attend the Parent and Candidate Meeting for registration
- _____ Volunteer for at least 6 signups during the year, 3 per semester (i.e. bringing food, volunteering time)
- _____ Attend Mass Every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation
- _____ Be open to the way the Holy Spirit will move in my heart during my child's Confirmation preparation

Participation is intended to help parents:

- Understand their role and models in the Christian development of their son/daughter.
- Deepen their own faith lives by involvement in sessions that relate to specific faith themes and major liturgical rites.
- Strengthen their family relationships and, together, grow in their relationship with God.

Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

Date



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Confirmation Sponsor Form

Name of Sponsor: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Are you registered member of this Parish? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, which Parish are you registered with? _____

Have you sponsored someone before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

For which Sacrament? _____

Do you still communicate with this person? ☐ Yes ☐ No

What, do you believe, are the qualifications to be a sponsor? _____

Do you feel comfortable sharing your faith experiences with the youth and the Confirmation community? _____

What are your hopes for this Confirmation process? _____

Name of the candidate you wish to sponsor: _____

Are you able to attend the meetings scheduled for the sponsor participation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you willing to communicate with the candidate at least once a month to review their progress? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Can you commit yourself to journey the 2 years with the candidate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Sponsor Pledge

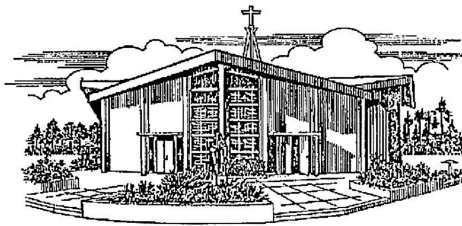
I believe that _____ is ready for confirmation.

Candidate

- I fully understand the preparation process and the covenant.
- The director and catechist of this process will have my complete cooperation and support.
- I will help my candidate in any way I can.
- I will be supportive in service projects.
- I recognize this as a time of re-commitment in my own faith life.
- I pray that the holy spirit will guide and direct us during this time of preparation.

Signature of Sponsor

Date



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Role of the Sponsor

The sponsor should be someone who knows the candidate, helps the candidate, and witnesses to the candidate's morals, faith, and intention. (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, #42) In the early Church, most new members were adult converts. Each candidate had a sponsor who was a guide, a spiritual companion and a witness to the faith of that candidate before the community.

In the Confirmation Preparation Process, the sponsor has a significant role in the faith development of the candidate. They are called to be:

- A model of how a person of faith lives in today's world.
- A friend who knows the candidate and can witness to the maturing faith of the candidate before the community.
- A guide, a confidant, and a listener.
- A leader who is interested in their own growth as they walk the faith journey with the candidate.
- A companion who will continue after confirmation to walk the faith journey with the candidate and invite them into a fuller participation in parish life and service.
- A practicing and confirmed Catholic

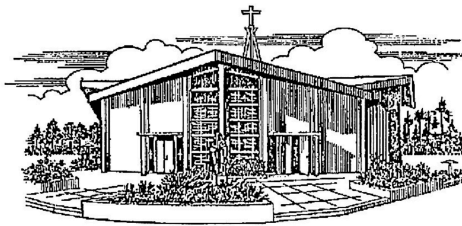
Expectations of the Sponsor

Sponsorship in the Confirmation Process is a two-year commitment. Sponsors are invited to:

- Attend meetings, workshops or training sessions for sponsors.
- Participate in liturgical rites of the Confirmation process.
- Meet monthly with the candidate, outside of class time, to encourage and assist the candidate to grow in knowledge, in prayer, in service, in worship, and in participation in the parish Community.
- Participate in the activities of the two-year Confirmation Process with the candidate.

Qualifications of the Sponsor

- The sponsor should be at least 18 years of age, a mature person of faith, and a confirmed Catholic in good standing.
- The sponsor reflects Catholic Christian values in word, worship, and service.
- The sponsor may be male or female, may be a Baptismal Sponsor, but may NOT be a parent of the candidate.
- A sponsor participates in activities of the two-year Confirmation Process with the candidate.
- A sponsor meets personally with his/her candidate on a regular basis to discuss candidate's prayer life, to share faith, and to answer questions.
- The sponsor is friendly, trustworthy, and a good listener.
- It is helpful and advisable that sponsors are active members of the Parish.



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Sponsor Checklist

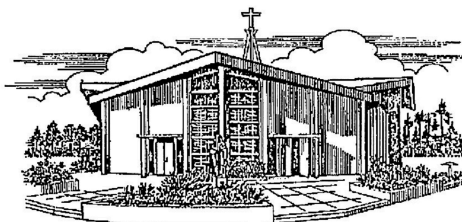
- When appropriate or recommended, attend meetings with your candidate.
- Greet your candidate when he/she arrives for the meeting. Make sure they feel welcome. Your hospitality is vital. You are choosing to be this candidate's spiritual parent.
- Keep in touch outside of required meetings. Their faith journey is ongoing and your involvement, especially outside of any requirements, will show them they are important and worthy of your time.
- Invite your candidate to Mass or another service of prayer. Explain what its meaning is to you. Remember example is powerful.
- If you sense that a candidate had a difficult time understanding what was said or experienced at a group session, do not hesitate to ask if you can help. Don't push, but do offer. If you don't know how to respond or are not sure what the church teaches don't make it up. They will remember your answers. Make sure you are finding the information together. This will help them learn how to find answers as they continue to grow in your faith.
- You can also be sensitive to other personal concerns of your candidate. If you journey with him/her for two years, there will sometimes be the need to listen to whatever is troubling your candidates, but in particular for your candidate. Take the initiative in responding to needs.
- Pray daily for all the candidates, but in particular for your candidate.
- A nice idea, if you feel comfortable, is to invite the candidate and his/her family for dinner.
- Arrange to visit one of the social agencies in the diocese or special ministry areas to witness the Church at work. Try to plan your visit with a candidate in such a way that you can counter a few hours of your days' time assisting in the work. Some of these sites might include a nursing home, orphanage, and school for exceptional children, soup line, one of the agencies or center of Catholic Charities, or a prison. Be sure to spend some time after your visit discussing your experience. (Check your local agencies).
- Invite the candidate to parish functions other than the Sunday Liturgy. Some parishes sponsor Eucharistic preparation program, plays, renewal missions, and even bingo.
- Take time to explain the holy days and feasts of our tradition, this is a wonderful opportunity to witness to your faith. Explain the Church's fast and abstinence laws as well as the communion fast. This may sound elementary, but candidate may need a refresher in the basics.

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Service is an integral component of the Confirmation preparation process. Through the process, candidates are introduced to the role of service in the life and faith of the community and are offered a variety of opportunities to participate in service projects. After participating in these service projects, the candidates are guided in reflecting on these experiences. Here at St. Jerome, we have a team of adults and teens who will be working to plan and facilitate service projects throughout the year. We will inform the candidates of these opportunities on a monthly basis. Each candidate is required to participate in 20 service hours **each year** (a total of 40 hours), muring the course of the Confirmation process. ***It is the responsibility of each candidate to record their own service hours.*** Prior two the Rite of Confirmation, we will request each candidate to describe the service projects they were involved in, and write a short reflection on how their participation impacted their faith. *(Use a separate sheet if necessary).*

Name of Candidate: _____ Date: _____

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We, at Saint Jerome Confirmation Program, care about the safety and well-being of the children that you have entrusted into our care. An important part of our commitment is to be in compliance with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) "*Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*" which requires that each diocese must establish and maintain a Safe Environment Program for children and youth.

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has adopted the ***Virtus® Teaching Touching Safety Program for Children*** as the safety program that teaches children and young people the "five basic safety rules" to help keep them safe from child sexual abuse. This also addresses topics such as boundaries, bullying, and computer and Internet safety.

We are please to offer this program to the children in the Confirmation Program at Saint Jerome. The topic for the Teaching Touching Safety Program changes yearly on a three year cycle. There will be a special meeting for parents and guardians to review this year's topic as well as to receive important resources. You are encouraged to attend so that you will have the tools you need to reinforce your child's learning experience. This meeting's date and time will be announced when finalized.

Thank you,

Lara Ratleff

Youth Coordinator

Hannah Madril

Youth Ministry Assistant

_____ I give my child permission to participate in the Virtus Program.

_____ I do NOT give my child permission to participate in the Virtus Program.

Parent/Guardian Name(Printed)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date