

Our Lady of Fatima  
*San Clemente, CA*  
**Teen Confirmation Requirements**  
**2018 - 2019**

**REQUIREMENTS**

Teens are encouraged to attend classes with an open heart. Questions are welcome, as this is a time for teens to honestly explore and seek the truths of the Catholic faith. For a teen to freely choose to be Confirmed in the faith, they must wrestle with the difficult questions about their faith. Our catechists will present our faith before you, but it will be up to each candidate to claim it as their own and ask God to CONFIRM their baptismal promise.

**Regular attendance at Sunday Mass**

As Catholics, the core of our faith experience is the Holy Mass in which we receive the body and blood of our Lord, in Eucharist. All candidates preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation should be attending Mass every Sunday and holy days of obligation, with their families. It is also expected for candidates to receive God's graces, blessings, and forgiveness in the sacrament of Reconciliation, as often as possible.

**Classes**

- Candidates are required to attend a minimum of 12 Sunday classes each year. Check class schedule for dates. Class Schedule can be located in the church website under Youth Ministry. If you must miss more than three classes, it is your responsibility to speak with the Confirmation Coordinator to discuss the absence and possible make-up opportunity.

**Service Requirements**

Over the two-year process, Candidates must complete a minimum of **30 community service hours**.

**Note:** Service Hours are defined as helping others without any compensation. Each candidate is required to complete a Service Project Form identifying what they have accomplished and submitting the completed form to Confirmation Director through either email or hand delivery. Service Hour Forms can be obtained by contacting the Confirmation Director, or downloading them from the OLF Church website, under Youth Ministry Forms.

It is each candidate's responsibility to seek out service opportunities. (Keep your eyes and ears open, as to where and when to help!)

## **Activity Requirements**

Over the two-year process, Candidates must attend a minimum of **4 religious' activities**. (C1 & C2 retreats **do not** count as an additional activity, as they are part of the requirements on their own.)

Attending religious activities is designed to help candidates recognize there is more to their faith journey than attending classes, and Mass. We hope this requirement will assist candidates in actively seeking faith enrichment endeavors, on their own.

- SUGGESTED Activity Choices
  - Youth Ministry Thursday Nights
  - Steubenville
  - Religious Ed Congress
  - One Day
  - Lectures
  - Stations of the Cross
  - Christian Movies
  - XLT's

**Note:** It is the candidate's responsibility to complete Activity Report form and turn it in to the Confirmation Director for each activity. The above list is not a comprehensive list, but rather simply a few suggestions to activate your search. Go, seek, find.

## **Saint Project**

During your second year of Confirmation you will create a Saint Project about the Saint you select to be your Confirmation Saint. More information will be provided at Teen/Sponsor events.

## **C2 Weekend Retreat**

Confirmation 2 Candidates (C2) will participate in a Confirmation **Weekend Retreat**, Cost for weekend retreat is \$175.00. At retreat candidates will reflect on their two-year Confirmation process, experiences, gained knowledge, and spiritual growth. They will evaluate and weigh the seriousness of their decision to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. **Retreat is REQUIRED.**

## **Staying Connected**

**Instagram** – Follow OLF Confirmation on Instagram @olfyouthministry

**Sign up Genius-** contact Jessica for more information on how to donate snacks for class gatherings

**Website** – Check out our parish website. OLFChurch.net → Youth Ministry. We try to keep it updated with information, service hour forms, Activity forms, schedules, and photos. If you ever see anything out of date or not functioning properly on our website, drop us an email, and we will get right on it, to update. Working together to build a better program.

**Any questions, concerns, suggestions or prayers please contact:**

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