Acknowledgement & Agreement for the
Preparation of Confirmation

Congratulations on becoming a candidate for Confirmation and to your parents and your sponsor for beginning with you this process of full initiation into the Catholic Church! One might ask, "What is required to prepare to receive the Sacrament?" The purpose of this document is to help you answer that question.

To enter Confirmation preparation you must be a baptized Catholic.

One must possess the use of reason. The candidate must be in a state of grace, be properly instructed, and capable of renewing his/her baptismal promises. These are the conditions given by the Archdiocese of Baltimore and the Rite of Confirmation, #12, cf. Canon 889.

The St. Ignatius Parish & Confirmation Team will provide candidates and their families with the necessary instruction for the preparation of the sacrament of Confirmation through liturgies, sacramental instruction, a retreat experience, service projects, appropriate field trips and Christian fellowship.

As a candidate for Confirmation, you are requesting to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. You are committing yourself to participating in the instruction and activities which the St. Ignatius Parish & Confirmation Team will provide. The Church understands your commitment to the sacramental preparation to be a first commitment and a priority on your part. The requirements to fulfill the preparation are the following:

1. Regular Sunday Mass attendance – signed Mass attendance cards each week
2. Regular class attendance and participation in class
3. Participation in service at Our Daily Bread in Baltimore
4. Attendance during the entire Confirmation retreat weekend (February 23-25, 2018)
5. Confirmation interview with the pastoral staff (candidate's letter to the Bishop requesting Confirmation is due at this time.)
6. Practicing Catholic sponsor (sponsor cannot be a parent or a boyfriend/girlfriend)

By signing this document you and your parents/guardians understand and agree that these are the requirements to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. If for some reason you cannot attend a scheduled activity (e.g. sickness or a death in the family), please call Carol Smith, Director of Faith Formation, as soon as possible; and she will help you in finding another alternative activity.

I have read the above requirements, and I commit myself to fully participating in the preparation for Confirmation.

Candidate	Date	Parent/Guardian	Date
Pastor	Date	Director of Faith Formation	Date

Please return to Faith Formation Offices by September 17, 2017