

L.I.G.H.T. Confirmation Preparation 2023 Information Sheet

Guidebooks

The <u>Family Guidebook</u> and <u>Sponsor Guidebook</u> are included in the Candidate folder. The Family Guidebook has details on the program while the Sponsor Guidebook should be given to the candidate's sponsor for their reference.

Discovery Retreat

The Discovery Retreat will be at LaSalle Manor Retreat Center in Plano, IL. We will offer 2 weekends to choose from—**August 5-6 or August 12-13**; both weekends will be from 9:00 am on Saturday until 1:00 pm on Sunday. Parents are asked to provide transportation to and from the retreat center. Sign-up for this retreat will be done online starting May 1st and going until June 30th. More details will be sent to families as we get closer to the dates.

Preparation Classes – Aug. 20, 27, Sept. 10, 17 & 24

All five of our sessions contain important information on the sacrament and faith. Each lesson will build upon the prior one. *Therefore, Candidates/Teens are expected to attend all 5 sessions. Teens may have 1 missed session and will be asked to complete a make-up assignment for this missed session.* Sign-up for this class will be done online starting May 1st and going until June 30th.

Saint Report

The guidelines for this paper is included in the Candidate folder. Please refer to this for all the details. The report is due at the last preparation session on Sept. 24th.

Faith Conversations

All candidates will have their <u>last</u> Faith Conversation with their Faith Mentor in the early Fall, but before the sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated. These short conversations will allow the teen candidate to say "YES" to the sacrament and the reasons why they feel they are ready to make this commitment. More details will be sent home in the fall.

Confirmation Rehearsal and Ceremony

Our Ceremony Date and Rehearsal is yet to be determined. More details on this will be sent to everyone as soon as the dates have been chosen.

Questions

Please contact us <u>DaveM@olmercy.com</u> or 331-707-5371. Our mailing address is 701 S. Eola Road, Aurora IL 60504. Website is https://olmercy.com/formation/light/.