CONFIRMATION DRESS CODE

Out of respect for the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist, the following dress is expected of Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors:

Below is the dress code that is to be followed for the Confirmation Ceremony. Please keep in mind that this is a church event and should not be compared to the dress style that would be appropriate for a graduation or prom. Confirmation is a joyous yet serious occasion and clothing should reflect that.

Ladies’ Dress Code:
Ladies are to wear both a blouse and skirt of conservative length (fall to the knee or below) or a dress of the same fashion. NO tight-fitting clothing. NO cleavage-revealing tops or shirts. Dress slacks (as long as they are not skin tight) and blouse, sweater or jacket is permissible. Waist and midriff should be completely covered. Shoulders are to be covered ~ no sheer clothing or spaghetti straps. Necklines should be conservative. No open back dresses or tops. Color is the choice of the candidate.

Gentlemen’s Dress Code:
Men are to wear a collared dress shirt of any color, pressed dress pants (of the proper waist size and inseam length) and tie. Shirt should be tucked in. Sports jackets are encouraged, but optional. Suits are allowed, but not expected. A belt and dress socks must also be worn.

Shoe code: This applies to both men and ladies
Not to be worn: Sneakers, boots of any kind, hiking shoes, sandals or flip flops.
Shoes should be of a dressy nature. Ladies shoes should be of a conservative heel height. Proper hosiery or stockings must be worn.

IF IN DOUBT, DON’T WEAR IT!
Any candidate in violation of these dress codes will be sent back home. If you have any questions or concerns, please ask in advance.

Please see next page for important upcoming dates!
Confirmation Key Dates

April 15, 2013  **Communal Reconciliation**  7:00 PM - Main Church
In order to receive Confirmation worthily, it is necessary for the candidate to be in a state of grace. Therefore, the candidate must purify his/her conscience through the Sacrament of Penance. **Note:** this service is for all Confirmation Candidates.

April 18, 2013  **Paperwork Deadline**  4:30 PM – Parish Office (**No exceptions**)
No paperwork will be accepted after this deadline because the parish has a mandatory deadline set by the diocese to report our sacramental information. Also, all candidates have been given ample time for preparation.

April 29, 2013  **Confirmation Rehearsal #1**  7:00 PM – Main Church
This is only for Candidates and Sponsors (Proxies) who are scheduled for May 2\textsuperscript{nd} Confirmation. If you are not scheduled for May 2\textsuperscript{nd} Confirmation, please do not attend this rehearsal because you will be disrupting the final preparation process for those families scheduled for the May 2\textsuperscript{nd} ceremony. **Note:** Sponsors or Proxy Sponsors should attend and check-in with the staff.

May 2, 2013  **Confirmation #1**
5:00 PM (Candidates) – Parish Center
6:00 PM (Sponsors) – Main Church
8:00 PM (Reception) - Parish Center)
All Candidates must be assembled no later than 5:15 PM in the Parish Center for Final Examination. Families and Sponsors are to be seated in the Main Church no later than 6:00 PM. A reception and photos with the bishop and families will follow the ceremony in the Parish Center.

May 6, 2013  **Confirmation Rehearsal #2**  7:00 PM – Main Church
This is only for Candidates and Sponsors (Proxies) who are scheduled for May 9\textsuperscript{th} Confirmation. **Note:** Sponsors or Proxy Sponsors should attend and check-in with the staff.

May 9, 2013  **Confirmation #2**
5:00 PM (Candidates) – Parish Center
6:00 PM (Sponsors) – Main Church
8:00 PM (Reception) - Parish Center)
All Candidates must be assembled no later than 5:15 PM in the Parish Center for Final Examination. Families and Sponsors are to be seated in the Main Church no later than 6:00 PM. A reception and photos with the bishop and families will follow the ceremony in the Parish Center.