



Happy Easter to all our St. Oscar Romero Confirmation Candidates and their families!

We hope all of you had a blessed Easter Day and are able to enjoy this season of resurrection even in these most unusual times! Although we have had to alter our plans for Confirmation preparation, we wanted to reassure you that we intend to do everything we can to assist your family in preparing your Candidate for the sacrament. So, here is a summary of our current plan:

Family Faith Formation

Holy Trinity School: Continued formation as directed by Mr. Evan Clark.

Tuesday Weekly FFF: Each family will receive 4 lessons by email. Two lessons have already been sent, and the remaining lessons will follow shortly. By completing these lessons as directed in the emails, the student completes the required year of faith formation. **New due date for completion: 6/5/2020.**

Sunday/Monday PiF: Distance learning assignments distributed via parish website

(<https://www.holytrinityparish.org/confirmation-year2>) and email by catechists. 4 *Purpose* lessons: "Power," "Meaning," Pathway," "Nations." **New due date for completion: 6/5/2020.**

Saint Project/Letter

Each St. Oscar Romero Candidate is asked to choose a Confirmation Saint to help guide him or her through the journey towards Confirmation and then to complete a project and letter about his/her saint. Directions for completing the project/letter have been sent by email, are available on the parish website (<https://www.holytrinityparish.org/confirmation-year1>) and are attached again here. The Saint Letter can be mailed to the parish (Holy Trinity Parish, 3111 Tierra de Dios Drive, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762) **OR** emailed to Mrs. Mulcaire (CMulcaire@holytrinityparish.org).

For the Saint Project, if the student chooses to write an essay, it can be turned in to the Confirmation Team using the mailing or email addresses above. However, if the student chooses another type of project (PowerPoint, poster, diorama, or movie) the student will need to present the project in a class setting. We will offer a series of Zoom meetings to facilitate this process: more details will follow with dates and times, so the student can select a time that works with his/her schedule. Because we understand that this is a very challenging time for our students with multiple school assignments, etc., we have modified the due date for this project and letter to **6/5/2020**.

IF YOUR HTS STUDENT HAS ALREADY COMPLETED THIS PROJECT AND LETTER, PLEASE IGNORE THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS.

Choosing a Sponsor

Candidates are asked to choose a mentor who will help them through the Confirmation process and who will be present with them at the Mass for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The Sponsor Form has been sent by email (and is attached again here). Again, because of our current situation, we understand that this form is more difficult to complete, so we are changing the due date for this form to **8/1/2020**.

Mandatory Combined Confirmation Sessions

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel all of our Spring Combined sessions for our St. Oscar Romero Confirmation Group. However, we are planning to hold a Combined Session late this summer or early fall to provide the content from the Combined Sessions. There will be two times offered for the session to make it easier for all of our families to attend. More details will follow as they are available.

Starting Year 2 of Confirmation formation

Before entering into the final year of preparation for Confirmation, each Candidate will have an interview with one member of the Confirmation Team where the Candidate and Catechist can discern if the Candidate is ready to enter into the next stage of formation. These interviews will be held **after** the Combined Session in the late summer or early fall. Again, more details will be provided as they are available.



Candidates will be eligible to participate in the interview process if they have completed the following:

- One year of Family Faith Formation (through weekly FF class, PiF, or Holy Trinity School)
- Saint Letter
- Saint Project
- Sponsor Form
- Attendance at one Combined Session of late summer/early fall

We know this is a **LOT** of information, so we appreciate your taking the time to read through all of it. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any additional information: we are always available to answer any questions. Please know that all of you are in our prayers always! St. Oscar Romero, pray for us!

In Christ,

Your Confirmation Team

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