

**CALENDAR 2018-2019  
8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Candidates and Sponsor Sessions**

All Confirmation session dates with Father Jim are listed below.

These dates are on Sunday evenings from 6:30-8 PM; in the church proper and/or in the lower level Social Hall of Church.

Please note there will also be monthly online sessions, from “Decision Point” and other resources emailed to parents and sponsors to discuss with their Candidate.

There will also be follow up with a Google form to fill out.

| <i>Session Date</i>  | <i>Who attends the session?</i>                        | <i>Session Topic</i>   |
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| Spring, 2018, prep sessions with youth<br>May 16, 23, 30, and June 1 | 7 <sup>th</sup> grade youth-in their classroom         | Welcome, Intros, prayer, journaling, discernment of a Sponsor, plus “Saintly summer reading”   |
| October 7  | Parents, Sponsors & Candidates. Meet in Church Proper. | Opening Prayer Service with Father Jim along with goals and expectations for the program, plus Decision Point Session #1 intro, 1.1, 1.2 (Life is Choices) |
| October online session   | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point 1.3, 1.4, 1.5   |
| November online session  | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session #2 intro, 2.1, 2.2 (What’s Holding you Back?)   |
| December online session  | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session #2.3, 2.4, 2.5  |
| January 13, 2019   | Parents, Sponsors & Candidates                         | Father Jim’s “Questions of Faith Fishbowl Discussion   |
| January online session   | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session #3 intro, 3.1, 3.2 (The Jesus Question)   |
| February online session  | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session 3.3, 3.4, 3.5   |
| March 3  | Parents, Sponsors & Candidates                         | Guest speaker: Newly ordained or Seminarian to speak to “being a witness and the cost of it all”, along with final details of Sacrament Retreat & Mass     |
| March online session   | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session #5 intro, 5.1, 5.2 (The Bible)  |
| April online session   | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session #5.3, 5.4, 5.5  |
| May online session   | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session #4 intro, 4.1, 4.2 (The Prayer Process)   |
| June online session  | (candidates & sponsors)                                | Decision Point Session #4.3, 4.4, 4.5  |



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| Confirmation Retreat Day, TBD. Location hopefully at AQ, during school hours the same day as the Confirmation Mass | Candidates at Retreat           | Confirmation Retreat Day with retreat leader's session plus Father Jim to speak on Prayer. |
| Confirmation Mass, TBD. Location at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew  | Parents, Sponsors, & Candidates | Confirmation Sacrament Mass  |
| July or August follow up online session?   | (candidates & sponsors)         | The True Presence #7<br>Additional resources   |

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