

**HOLY CROSS CHURCH
AND
CANADIAN MARTYRS CHURCH**



**Confirmation Registration Package
2025-2026**

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

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Dear Parents:

We are now planning to resume the preparations for the **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** for your children.

In connection with this, we are inviting both the parents and the students in **Grades 7** to a meeting at the Church Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to outline the parish preparation program for the Confirmation.

Parent Information Meeting and Registration will take place on:

Date: **Saturday, Nov. 22, 2025**

Time: **Gr.7 @ 11 am**

Venue: **Holy Cross Parish Hall**

MUST bring the following:

- Registration Form. ***Completely filled-up***. Please write legibly.
- Photocopy of Child's Baptismal Certificate even if the baptism took place in Holy Cross Church. or Canadian Martyrs
- Sponsor's either Baptismal, Confirmation or Marriage Certificate. *(Photocopy)*
Provide one (1) document.
- **\$75.00 Donation**
Your donation will be used to assist our parish to defray the costs of booklets, confirmation gown rental, retreat and other incidentals. We encourage you to pay in cheque **addressed to Holy Cross Parish or Canadian Martyrs Parish**. Please specify in your cheque – For Confirmation Preparations.

All students who wish to be confirmed and their parents/guardian **MUST** attend the registration meeting.

Thank you very much and we look forward to meeting you at the registration.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Godofredo R. Claudio
Pastor

Office Use Only: (Please check)

Child: Baptismal Certificate (Photocopy) ☐ Yes ☐ No Donation (\$75) ☐ Yes ☐ No Cash ☐ Cheque

Sponsor: Baptismal, Confirmation or Marriage Certificate. Provide one (1) photocopied document. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Registration: Sat. November 22- 11am- **Holy Cross Church Hall**

MUST SUBMIT THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

{PLEASE WRITE IN CAPITAL LETTERS}

CHILD'S INFORMATION

Name of Candidate: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Male ☐ Female ☐ Candidate's Height (ft.): _____ Date of Birth (D-M-V): _____ Age: _____

Place of Birth: _____ Date of Baptism(D/M/V): _____ Grade level: _____

CHILD'S BAPTISM INFORMATION

DATE OF BAPTISM: Day: _____ Month: _____ Year: _____

PLACE OF BAPTISM: (Please COMPLETE the information. This will be used to notify the Parish where the baptism took place to update your records **for future reference.**)

Parish Name: _____

Parish Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone #: _____ Fax#: _____

PARENT'S INFORMATION

Mother's Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Father's name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Address: _____

Phone#: (Home) _____ (Work) _____ (Cell Phone) _____

Email Address: _____

Confirmant's Name of Sponsor: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Does the Candidate have a learning disability or special need? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the candidate made his/her: _____ First Reconciliation _____ First

Communion

I, _____ conscious of the work of the Holy Spirit in my life, wish to apply for enrolment in the Confirmation program.

Signature of Candidate: _____

How to choose a Confirmation Sponsor

Confirmation is one of the sacraments of initiation in the Catholic Church. Every baptized Catholic should eventually receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. To prepare for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation (usually administered to young people in the Roman Catholic rite of the Church), candidates are asked to choose a sponsor. **This sponsor helps to educate them about and prepare them for the Sacrament of Confirmation, and stands with them during the administration of the Sacrament. The role of Confirmation sponsor does not end with the reception of the Sacrament - your Confirmation sponsor will be a guide for the rest of your life as an adult in the Faith.**

These guidelines will assist you in selecting an appropriate sponsor for your Confirmation.

- Is one of your **baptismal godparents** available to be your Confirmation sponsor? If so, **that is the best option**, since this emphasizes the unity of the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Check whether or not one of your godparents is able to be your Confirmation sponsor.
- If neither godparent is available to be your Confirmation sponsor, then you must select someone else. First, check whether or not **your prospective sponsor is a Catholic**. Your sponsor **must be a practicing Catholic who lives the life of faith**.
- Check whether or not your **prospective sponsor has received the Sacraments of Baptism, the Holy Eucharist and Confirmation**. Your sponsor **must have received these sacraments of initiation**. Please state this clearly on the "Form of Sponsor".
- Check whether or not your prospective sponsor is over the age of 16. **Your sponsor must be at least 16 years old in order to be sufficiently mature to give you guidance in the faith.**
- Although any other relative could be a suitable choice, **you cannot have either of your parents as your Confirmation sponsor.**

Finally, your Confirmation sponsor's role involves giving support and guidance to you in preparing for Confirmation, and also a good example in their own way of life. Be sure to select a sponsor who leads a virtuous life as a faithful Catholic.

Candidate's Full Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

SPONSOR'S INFORMATION

Sponsor's Full Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name

Address: _____

Sponsor's Phone # _____

Church of Baptism: _____ City/State: _____

Church of Confirmation: _____ City/State: _____

Are you married? ☐ Yes ☐ No If married, were you married in the Catholic Church? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Note: Provide one (1) photocopied document.

Sponsor's Baptismal, Confirmation or Marriage Certificate.

Office Use Only

Document Received: (Please check)

☐ Yes ☐ No

FORM OF INTENT

CHILD:

I _____ ask that my Parish community of HOLY CROSS CHURCH accept and help me with their prayers, and my commitment to prepare worthily for the reception of the

Sacrament of Confirmation

I promise to prepare by:

- Being a witness of one who believes in God and His Church of which I am a member.
- Being faithful to Sunday Eucharist.
- Participation in the Confirmation program at the Parish.

May God bless us all as we prepare to receive the Sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION.

Confirmandi's Signature

Date

NOTE: TO BE SUBMITTED DURING THE ENROLMENT CEREMONY ON Nov.29 AT 5pm.

IMPORTANT

1. Please note that this year candidates from both schools/parishes (Holy Cross and Canadian Martyrs) will receive catechesis together at **CANADIAN MARTYRS PARISH HALL.**
2. Students whose families attend another church and wish to participate in our program must bring a letter of permission signed by the Pastor of your Church

3. Sponsors:

- Cannot be parents
- Must be 16 yrs of age or older by the time of the Confirmation ceremony
- Must be confirmed and practicing their faith at a Catholic Church
- Cannot be from other Christian denominations, Muslim, Jewish or Buddhist

4. For Children Baptized in an Orthodox Rite Church or in an Eastern Rite Catholic Church

The Roman Rite is one of twenty-two rites in the universal Catholic Church. Many Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto were baptized in one of the various Eastern Rite churches that constitute the Catholic Church. It is the tradition of most of the Eastern Rite Churches (Catholic and Orthodox) that those being initiated are confirmed and received the Eucharist at the time of baptism. **Please check your child's baptism certificate to verify if your child received Confirmation at Baptism.** When the parish, in usual conjunction with the Catholic schools, is preparing a candidate for Confirmation, those who are members of the Eastern Rite Catholic Churches will be expected to take an active part in all aspects of the program of the parish and school. Orthodox Rite students are also welcome to participate in the lessons and retreats but may not be part of the Confirmation celebration masses.

We look forward to meeting you and your parents/guardians at registration.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Godofredo R. Claudio

Pastor

Holy Cross and
Canadian Martyrs
Schools

2025-2026: GRADE 7

Preparation Program

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

2025-2026						
WHEN	Nov.22	November 29	Dec.6,13 Jan.3,10,17,24,31 Feb.7,14,21,28 Mar. 7- (retreat & confessions)		March 12	March 14
	(SATURDAY)			(Saturday)	(THURSDAY)	(Saturday)
WHAT	Registration & Parent Info. Session	Family Gathering & Session 1	Enrollment Ceremony	Sessions 2-13	Rehearsal	Confirmation Mass Ceremony
WHERE	Canadian Martyrs Parish Hall	Canadian Martyrs Parish Hall	Canadian Martyrs Church	Parish Hall	Canadian Martyrs Church	Canadian Martyrs Church
TIME	11:00am	3pm	5pm	3pm	4:00pm	5:00pm

PLEASE ARRIVE ON TIME AS ALL MEETINGS WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT THE TIME INDICATED
ATTENDANCE IS A MUST