

## RITE OF CONFIRMATION

### Commitment Pledge

St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

**CONFIRMATION YEAR: 2017-2018**

**CANDIDATE:** Preparation for Confirmation should aim at leading the Christian toward a more intimate union with Christ and a livelier familiarity with the Holy Spirit...To this end, catechesis (preparation) for Confirmation should strive to awaken a sense of belonging to the Church of Jesus Christ, the universal Church as well as the parish community." (CCC 1309)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ commit myself to continue or begin my 2-year preparation to receive the  
(Student Name)

**Sacrament of Confirmation** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish. By signing this contract, I commit myself to prepare spiritually and mentally between now and when I am confirmed. I will do this in the following ways:

- Praying daily for spiritual guidance during this time.
- Attending Mass every Sunday as well as Holy Days of Obligations.
- Leading a Christian life at all times in word and deed.
- Receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Studying the faith, asking questions, and discussing my faith journey with my Sponsor and parents.
- Full attendance and active participation in the Confirmation program during Faith Formation classes at St. Teresa of Avila.
- Attend Spirit Nights, Confirmation Retreat, Confirmation Practice and Sacrament of Confirmation Mass.
- Using my skills and time for Christian, church and home service and COMPLETING all service opportunities before my Confirmation.
- Turn in all paperwork that is required, per schedule given.
  - Baptismal Certificate (First year)
  - First Communion Cert (First Year)
  - Service project forms (Both Years)
  - Sponsor and information form (First Year)
  - Candidate Registration form (First Year)
  - Confirmation Name (First Year)
  - Saint Reports (First Year)
  - Letter to the Bishop (Second Year)

I also commit myself to being open to all that God has to reveal to me during this time of preparation, to the Holy Spirit and how He wants to move in my life, and to what the St. Teresa of Avila teachers and staff have shared with me. I understand the Sacrament of Confirmation is a gift from God rather than a requirement to get out of the way. Confirmation is not graduation.

Therefore, I take this step freely and without reservation.

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Confirmation Candidate Signature

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Print Name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**PARENTS** are key in the spiritual formation of their children. Without the support and witness of the parents, any instruction is greatly hindered. Therefore, parents of all Confirmation students are expected to:

- Attend Sunday Eucharist (Mass) weekly, as well as on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Strive to grow in their own Catholic Faith journey.
- Give positive encouragement to students.
- Help students apply teaching to everyday life.
- Cooperate with Pastor, Confirmation program staff and catechists in fulfilling all the requirements.
- Pray for their student and the whole Confirmation ministry.
- Ensure the Sacrament of Reconciliation is practiced at least once per year prior to Confirmation.

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Parent Signature

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Print Parent Name

Date: \_\_\_\_\_