

St. John the Baptist

Youth & Young Adult Ministry



August 3, 2009

Dear Confirmation Candidate,

By receiving this letter you are eligible to receive the training and preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Enclosed you will find a schedule and an application. Please return this application by August 23rd to the Parish Office with a *copy of your baptismal certificate* (If you were not baptized at St. John the Baptist in Newburgh, IN). To receive this sacrament, and by receiving your application, you are affirming that you are a devoted Christian. This means you attend Mass regularly and you are seeking to grow in your Christian faith.

Please understand Confirmation is not a graduation of the Catholic Christian Church. It is a chance to publicly affirm your personal faith and devotion to Christ. In this devotion, you will receive the final seal of initiation. This is a beginning, a first footstep to your personal journey in your life with Christ.

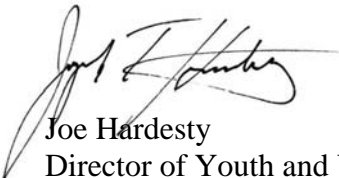
This *confirmation program is not a school type program*. This program is designed to show you what it takes to **live** in this world as Christians. It consists of four 24-hour overnight programs: God's Loving Call, Joined to Christ, Acts of the Disciples Today, and Living Sacrament. You will need to attend **all four** of these programs and be in your sophomore year or older to receive the Sacrament. This is the second year we have offered preparation to freshman and sophomores. We have separated the weekends for girls and boys to allow for more tailored instruction.

I assure you, you will have a great time, learn more about yourself and your faith.

We find that we are so busy caught up in everyday life (Sports, iPods, TV, School, Band etc.) It is essential that you as a Christian decide what is the most important priority. After high school, all the sports, bands, etc. will be gone, **but your faith life will be there throughout eternity**. It is important that we build your faith life and understanding of Christ at this time in your life so you have the foundation to stand and see God in all of life's struggles and gifts through the lens of Christ's eye.

I will see you *August 23rd, 6:30 PM in the Church*.

Many Blessings,



Joe Hardesty
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**ST. JOHN PARISH CONFIRMATION PROGRAM
REGISTRATION FORM**

Program will be held in the St. Maria Goretti House, 700 Frame Rd. Saturday 3:00 PM-Sunday 3:00 PM

STUDENT NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

BIRTHDATE ____/____/____ SCHOOL _____ GRADE _____

EMAIL _____ T Shirt Size _____

FACBOOK _____ MYSPACE _____

Youth Cell Phone Number _____

FATHER'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

MOTHER'S NAME *(INCLUDING MAIDEN NAME)* _____

ADDRESS _____

BAPTISMAL INFORMATION
PLEASE FILL THIS OUT COMPLETELY
(Please supply a copy of Baptism Certificate)

CHURCH NAME _____ DIOCESE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

DATE BAPTIZED _____

RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING SACRAMENTS?
FIRST COMMUNION _____ RECONCILIATION _____

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

Areas needing volunteer services are: setting up, providing snacks, food, cleanup, and small group helper. We ask that each parent Volunteer For Two (2) position through each of you candidates. Sign ups and more information at the Parent Meeting.

Please return this form at the Parent Meeting on August 23rd at 6:30 PM in Church

Supplies Needed at each Program:

1" Binder, Catechism of the Catholic Church, The Catholic Youth Bible, Pen
(These items will be used at each of the Overnights)

\$40 PROGRAM FEE

PLEASE NOTE: The fee will be lowered or waived when presenting a financial hardship to the family.

St. John the Baptist Confirmation Schedule

2009-2010 Male Schedule

Parent/ Candidate Meeting Sunday, August 23rd, 2009 at 6:30 PM in the Church

Overnights St. Maria Goretti House-700 Frame Road

Living Sacrament **Saturday, Sept 12th, 2009 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Sept 13th, 2009 at 3:00 PM**
Acts of the Disciples Today **Saturday, Oct 10th, 2009 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Oct 11th, 2009 at 3:00 PM**
Joined to Christ **Saturday, Jan 9th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Jan 10th, 2010 at 3:00 PM**
God's Loving Call **Saturday, Feb 16th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Feb 17th, 2010 at 3:00 PM**

Spiritual Retreat @ Memorial High School

Source & Summit **Friday, Feb 19th, 2010- Sunday, Feb 21st, 2010**

Ceremonies Church

Rite of Enrollment (*Freshmen or Older*) (*Sponsors Present*) **October 3rd-4th, 2009 (Any Weekend Mass)**
Rehearsal (*Sophomores or Older*) (*Sponsors Present*) **Friday, April 23rd, 2010 at 6:00 PM-7:30 PM**
Confirmation (*Sophomores or Older*) (*Sponsors Present*) **Saturday, April 24th, 2010 at 4:15 PM**

Sending Forth Retreat St. Mary, Ireland, IN

Teens Encounter Christ **Saturday, July 24th-26th, 2010**
(Choose One) **Saturday, November 6th-8th, 2010**
 February 13th-15th, 2011

2010-2011 – Male Schedule

Parent/ Candidate Meeting Sunday, August 22nd, 2010 at 6:30 PM Church

Overnights St. Maria Goretti House-700 Frame Road

God's Loving Call **Saturday, Sept 11th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Sept 12th, 2010 at 3:00 PM**
Joined to Christ **Saturday, Oct 9th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Oct 10th, 2010 at 3:00 PM**
Acts of the Disciples Today **Saturday, Jan 8th, 2011 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Jan 9th, 2011 at 3:00 PM**
Living Sacrament **Saturday, Feb 5th, 2011 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Feb 6th, 2011 at 3:00 PM**

Spiritual Retreat @ Memorial High School

Source & Summit **Friday, Feb 18th, 2011- Sunday, Feb 20th, 2011**

Ceremonies Church

Rite of Enrollment (*Freshmen or Older*) (*Sponsors Present*) **October 2nd-3rd, 2010 (Any Weekend Mass)**
Rehearsal (*Sophomores or Older*) (*Sponsors Present*) **Friday, April 29th, 2011 at 6:00 PM-7:30 PM**
Confirmation (*Sophomores or Older*) (*Sponsors Present*) **Saturday, April 30th, 2011 at 4:15 PM**

Sending Forth Retreat St. Mary, Ireland, IN

Teens Encounter Christ **TBD**

St. John the Baptist Confirmation Schedule

2009-2010 Female Schedule

Parent/ Candidate Meeting Sunday, August 23rd, 2009 at 6:30 PM in the Church

Overnights *St. Maria Goretti House-700 Frame Road*

Living Sacrament	Saturday, Sept 26th, 2009 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Sept 27th, 2009 at 3:00 PM
Acts of the Disciples Today	Saturday, Oct 24th, 2009 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Oct 25th, 2009 at 3:00 PM
Joined to Christ	Saturday, Jan 16th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Jan 17th, 2010 at 3:00 PM
God's Loving Call	Saturday, Feb 27th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Feb 28th, 2010 at 3:00 PM

Spiritual Retreat @ *Memorial High School*

Source & Summit **Friday, Feb 19th, 2010- Sunday, Feb 21st, 2010**

Ceremonies *Church*

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Sending Forth Retreat *St. Mary, Ireland, IN*

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(Choose One)	Saturday, November 6th-8th, 2010
	February 13th-15th, 2011

2010-2011 Female Schedule

Parent/ Candidate Meeting Sunday, August 22nd, 2010 at 6:30 PM in the Church

Overnights *St. Maria Goretti House-700 Frame Road*

God's Loving Call	Saturday, Sept 25th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Sept 26th, 2010 at 3:00 PM
Joined to Christ	Saturday, Oct 23rd, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Oct 24th, 2010 at 3:00 PM
Acts of the Disciples Today	Saturday, Jan 15th, 2011 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Jan 16th, 2011 at 3:00 PM
Living Sacrament	Saturday, Feb 26th, 2011 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Feb 27th, 2011 at 3:00 PM

Spiritual Retreat @ *Memorial High School*

Source & Summit **Friday, Feb 18th, 2011- Sunday, Feb 20th, 2011**

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Teens Encounter Christ **TBD**

St. John the Baptist Program Sign Up

Students Name: _____

Students Phone #: _____

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_____ Joined to Christ	Saturday, Jan 9th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Jan 10th, 2010 at 3:00 PM
_____ God's Loving Call	Saturday, Feb 6th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Feb 7th, 2010 at 3:00 PM

2010-2011

Overnights *St. Maria Goretti House-700 Frame Road*

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_____ Living Sacrament	Saturday, Feb 5th, 2011 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Feb 6th, 2011 at 3:00 PM

2009-2010 Female Schedule

Overnights *St. Maria Goretti House-700 Frame Road*

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_____ Joined to Christ	Saturday, Jan 16th, 2010 at 3:00 PM - Sunday, Jan 17th, 2010 at 3:00 PM
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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
CATHOLIC CHURCH
CONFIRMATION SPONSOR INFORMATION**

A Sponsor may be:

1. A baptismal Godparent (This is preferred to show the connection between Baptism and Confirmation).
2. A new sponsor (a person that the candidate has a personal connection with, and is influential in the candidate's life.) **The sponsor may not be a parent.** This person needs to be someone you can turn to for spiritual guidance and advice when life gets hard. Please remember this person should be someone who you want to have in your life forever.

Ideally, the person chosen should be a member of the local parish or at least in the local area. This will enable the sponsor to take an active role in the preparation.

Necessary personal qualifications for a Sponsor:

1. Full membership in the Catholic Church (baptized, confirmed and has received Holy Eucharist).
2. Sufficiently mature for the role (at least 16 years of age).
3. Practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church; being actively involved by participating in regular Sunday worship.

DUE APRIL 6TH

SPONSOR SHEET FOR CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE'S NAME _____

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR'S NAME _____

WHAT RELATION, IF ANY _____

SPONSOR'S ADDRESS _____

HOUSE NUMBER/STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

SPONSOR'S PARISH

NAME OF CHURCH _____

ADDRESS _____

STREET

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

DISCERNING A SPONSOR

Prayer of the Candidate:

O Holy Spirit, You have been with me and have counseled me ever since my Baptism. I thank You for this. Now that I am about to be confirmed in my faith, I ask Your aid. Please inspire me, and my parents, to choose a sponsor who will prepare me well for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Be with us as we weigh the different choices. Help us to make an intelligent choice, not just an emotional one. I desire to become a strong, Faith-filled Christian. Lead us to the person who will be the best guide for me.



Prayer of the Parents:

O Holy Spirit, You have entrusted (Name) to us. Our role as parents is to protect and nurture (him/her) in every way. Give us grace to know who would be the best partner in carrying out our responsibility to protect and nourish (his/her) faith life.

Confirmation Service Hours

Student's Name

I agree that _____ has done volunteer work for me in the amount of ____ hours free of charge.

Name

Date

I agree that _____ has done volunteer work for me in the amount of ____ hours free of charge.

Name

Date

I agree that _____ has done volunteer work for me in the amount of ____ hours free of charge.

Name

Date

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Name

Date