

**St. Bartholomew Parish**  
**Confirmation Formation Program Year II**  
**2016-2017**

We are now entering into the second year of our confirmation formation program. We are thrilled to have the honor of walking this wonderful journey with the candidates, parents, and sponsors.

**Confirmation Date:** May 2017 TBD

**Main Components of Year II Confirmation Formation:<sup>1</sup>**

- Continued instruction (biweekly)
- Service & reflection (25 hours each year)
- Confirmation Retreat (annual)
- Youth Conference (annual)
- Interview with the Pastor
- Choosing a Saint
- Choosing a Sponsor
- Letter to the Archbishop
- *Weekly Mass attendance (strongly encouraged)*
- *Youth group participation (strongly encouraged)*

**Confirmation Class Dates for 2016-2017:** (Sundays, 9:15 – 10:15am, conference room, parish hall)

- September 18, 2016 (Parents included)
- October 9, 2016
- October 23, 2016
- November 13, 2016
- December 11, 2016
- January 15, 2017
- January 29, 2017
- February 12, 2017
- March 12, 2017
- March 26, 2017
- April 9, 2017

**Attendance Policy:**

Attendance will be taken at each class. It is understandable that family and life commitments prevent attendance on occasion. Please notify the instructors as soon as you can. Two missed classes will be excused for the year. If more than two are missed, classes will have to be made up via an assignment or an additional class.

**Additional Required Activities:**

- Archdiocese Catholic Youth Conference (ACYC) (February 17-19, 2017, Perdido Orange Beach)
  - If attending ACYC is impossible, attendance at another regional youth rally will be acceptable.
- Confirmation Retreat (April 30, 2017, Sunday afternoon [time & location TBD])
- Service projects (optional as long as service hours are completed)
- Journaling (assignments will follow the curriculum)

**Primary Curriculum Materials (all materials will be purchased by the parish)**

- *Chosen: Your Journey Toward Confirmation (Ascension Press, 2014)*
  - *Parent's Guide & Sponsor's Guide*

**Instructors:**

- Tiffany Goldschmidt (tiffany.carter727@gmail.com / 251-504-6507)
- Erik Goldschmidt (erikgoldschmidt@gmail.com / 251-504-1623)

**Communications:**

Prior to classes and activities, parents and candidates will receive reminder text messages from the instructors. Please make sure the instructors have your necessary contact info.

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<sup>1</sup> *These components of confirmation formation align with the requirements of the Archdiocese of Mobile as outlined in the Guidelines for Parish Confirmation by the Department of Catholic Education. Visit: <http://archmobyouth.org/confirmation/>*