

FAITH FORMATION FOR TEENS



Today's teens experience **many new changes** in their lives. Whether they are beginning high school, in their senior year, or somewhere in between - there are many **opportunities and challenges** that they face. And even though they are quickly developing into their own persons, you - as parents will **always** want to provide the best for them.

We are here to help you! St. Mary Magdalen provides a **positive, encouraging, and engaging** community for our teens in our youth ministry. But youth ministry is much more than just a great place to hang out.

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** is one of the Sacraments of Initiation. Confirmation is only the **beginning** of their call to live out their faith. Our Life Teen youth ministry program looks at the whole person and continues to develop them - mind, body and spirit.

The components of youth ministry are: Advocacy, Catechesis, Community Life, Evangelization, Justice and Service, Leadership Development, Pastoral Care and Prayer and Worship. Youth ministry helps your teens become well-rounded and grounded young Christian men and women. Join today!

Life Teen - Leading Teens Closer to Christ!



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Be Sealed with the Holy Spirit

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit. *Acts 2:1-4*



St. Mary Magdalen Parish
Sacramental Preparation for Confirmation

preparation for confirmation

Dear Parish Families,

Welcome to the St. Mary Magdalen Confirmation Program. We are excited to journey with your family and your teen towards the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Friday November 6, 2015 at 7:00pm.**



In this brochure you will read about the Confirmation and Youth Ministry Program that St. Mary Magdalen provides your teen and your family. This is truly a special time of spiritual formation, one that we hope will strengthen your entire family.

As you continue ministering to your family, your parish and the community, we ask you to be especially faithful in these areas:

- ★ Attend Sunday Liturgy and Holy Days of Obligation.
- ★ Support a parish ministry with the gift of your time, talent, & treasure.
- ★ Dedicate yourself to at least 15 minutes of prayer each day.

In addition to worshipping at St. Mary Magdalen, your family has the opportunity to give your time, talent and treasure to the many ministries this faith community has to offer. It is your example that continuously has the greatest impact on the faith formation of your child.

In His Service,

Father Charlie Mitchell
Pastor

Darryl Dzedzic
Steward for Youth Ministry



overview



There are **required sessions** for preparation, held **Monday evenings in the Parish Life Center from 7-8:30pm.** The sessions are set in the familiar Life Night setting. These nights are set in four sections: Gather, Proclaim, Break & Send. The evenings are filled with prayer, music, reflection & application.

Parents and Sponsors will participate on particular evenings. Sponsors will specifically join the candidates on evenings when we discuss the liturgy for Confirmation. If the sponsor lives out of town, someone would need to stand in their place—a parent, older sibling, friend or family member.

The candidates for Confirmation will come together for a **Day of Reflection Retreat on Saturday, October 31st** in the **Parish Life Center from 10:00am-3:30pm.**

2015 calendar

August 24: Parent Night (Parents only)

August 31: Orientation (Parents and Candidates)

September 7: OFF for Labor Day

September 14: Session 1 (Sponsor and Candidate); **Meet in the Church**

September 21: Session 2 (Candidate Only)

September 28: Session 3 (Candidate Only)

October 5: Session 4 (Candidate Only)

October 12: Session 5 (Parent and Candidate)

October 19: OFF for Community Fest Clean-up

October 26: Session 6 (Candidate Only)

Saturday October 31: Retreat 10:00am-3:30pm (Candidate Only)

Tuesday November 3: Confirmation Rehearsal (Candidate & Sponsor)

Friday November 6: Confirmation (Candidate, Sponsor, & Family)