

Dear Parents,

April 30, 2020

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

I pray this finds your family well as we approach another month of "Stay at Home". I wanted to contact you regarding preparation for our Confirmation.

First and most important; I have had no indication from the Diocese that our Confirmation date will be changed. We will proceed with the thought that the Confirmation Mass will take place on October 3rd and our retreat will be September 26th unless notified otherwise.

I wanted to let you know the materials we were unable to cover in your child's Confirmation preparation to give you some direction for homeschooling.

- Our last 'Chosen' lesson covered in class was Lesson 17. If possible, please complete Lessons 18-21 & 23-24. We were not going to cover Lesson 22: *"Why Wait" God's Plan for Love and Sex*. Your child has the workbook and the video portion of the lessons can be accessed at <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/teen-faith-formation-online-access>. If your child has lost their workbook, there is a free digital version using the link above. Ascension Press is offering this to our parish at no charge.
- Enclosed please find the Seton Confirmation Preparation for Young Catholics. We were going to cover Chapters 1-4 in class. Please have your child read the chapters and then answer the Chapter Review Questions beginning on page 47. This is their book to keep and they may write in the book.
- Enclosed you will also find the Confirmation Quiz. Please have your child complete the quiz (closed book) and mail or scan and email the quiz back to me by August 14th.

About requirements and paperwork, the Office of Faith Formation and Father Eversole has waived the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy Service Hours. With the 'Stay at Home Order' and social distancing, it creates a hardship to complete the Corporal Works. **The deadline for all other requirements has been extended to August 14th.** The Confirmation interviews with the Clergy that were scheduled for this spring will be postponed until August. I will contact you concerning scheduling mid-July.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 540-582-5575 or stmatthewre@comcast.net.

Peace of Jesus Christ,

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