

## Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water

### Important Notes: Grade 10 Confirmation Information

*Here are some important things and initial due dates to review. More information will be given at the Confirmation Student and Parent Meeting with Fr. Steve on Wednesday, Nov. 29.*

1. **Attendance:** Candidates of the confirmation program (grades 10-11) have Faith Formation class or activities every Wednesday night. If a candidate cannot be present because of an emergency or illness, the office must be notified prior to 7 pm. **Only 1 excused absence is allowed per year.** Make-up lesson or work will be sent home with student in the case of excessive absences.
2. **Experience of Worship:** Weekly Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation Mass attendance of both the candidate and his/her family is expected.
3. **Baptismal Information:** In order to enter your Confirmation into the Church's sacramental records we must have your baptismal information.
  - a. If you were not baptized in our area's faith community's churches of Jesus Our Living Water, you must obtain a copy of your baptismal certificate.
  - b. The baptismal certificate needs to be giving to the Faith Formation Office, at St. Mary's Church in Willmar. Address certificate to Julie Swoboda or email copy to JulieSwoboda@OurLivingWater.org. **Deadline is Nov. 15, 2023.**
4. **Choose a Sponsor:** Part of preparation for Confirmation is selecting a sponsor. This person should a fully initiated and practicing Catholic, over the age of 16, and someone who is willing and able to become personally involved in the preparation. The online form to complete with the information of the person who is to be your **sponsor is due Dec. 13, 2023.**
  - a. **Please inform sponsors of: Student and Sponsor Retreat Sunday, Feb.25, 2024 at St. Mary's Church in Willmar from 10am-2pm** \*attend Mass together and retreat follows.
5. **Saint Name:** Compare virtues of one's self to those of popular Catholic saints. Choose a Saint whose name you choose to have as a Confirmation name. Pick a saint that inspires, is admirable, relatable to, or aspirational and complete the online form about your Saint. Your **Saint Name is due Feb. 7, 2024.**
  - a. If you choose to use your baptismal name, the online saint name form will still need to be completed and submitted.

**Note: Students need to complete and submit an online form for every requirement listed.**

Confirmation link to online forms:

<https://www.ourlivingwater.org/confirmation-grades-10-11.html>