

## PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION 2021



**Goal** – For parents/guardians and sponsor(s) to assist the candidate towards the goal of an ever deepening active discipleship and relationship with Jesus Christ.

**The focus is discipleship**—What is the candidate's relationship with God like? How has he/she grown in that relationship? Is he/she committed to a life in Christ? How do catechesis and other elements of our preparation process support and encourage discipleship.

**Weekly YDisciple** – Gathers your teens into a place where they can begin to have an encounter with Christ on Sundays. Families also seek to build this same type of space within your homes and lives. Teens will have a once monthly Confirmation specific session.

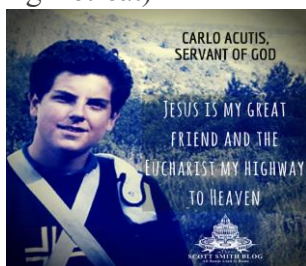
**Signs of Readiness** –Prayerfully review these signs throughout this process. Parent/Guardian/teen interview/reflections will take place next spring.

Begin to grow these “signs” within your family of daily prayer, weekly Mass, reception of Sacraments (including Confession). Make faith an active part of your family's life.

**Selection of Sponsor** – Help your teen reflect on a suitable person to act as their Sponsor.

**Selection of Patron Saint name** – Help your teen discern a meaningful Patron Saint for Confirmation and beyond.

**Palanca Letters** – Special letters from family, friends, trusted adults, Catechists, etc. of spiritual encouragement for your teen. (Collect them by Spring Retreat)



## DATES FOR 2021 **NET** **RETREAT**

- Friday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>  
**OR**
- Saturday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- \$15.00 at St Joe's
- 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade youth
- **Pick one date**

## **TWO PARENT/ SPONSOR MEETINGS**

- Sunday Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>
- Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>
- 12:15 to 1:45 p.m.
- **Attend BOTH**

*Bring Baptism/First  
Communion Certs of  
Candidates*

## **SPRING MINI RETREAT**

Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup>  
12:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Candidate/Sponsor  
Palanca letters distributed

## **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

Will be determined by the  
Bishops Office after Easter  
2021.