

# Confirmation Preparation Contract

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"To choose what is difficult all one's days as if it were easy, that is faith."

--W.H. Auden, *For the Time Being*

*Confirmation is a process, not a means to an end. You don't get graded here. You should receive the sacrament only if/when you feel ready, and just because you sign up for preparation doesn't mean we'll make you get confirmed if you don't want to. Committing to attend these sessions does not mean you're forced to go through with the whole thing. That said, if you do decide to participate, you agree to participate fully, including the following:*

## ✦ I will be RESPECTFUL

- ✦ I will be considerate of the other candidates and create a safe, comfortable place for open discussion
- ✦ I will keep an open mind, practicing tolerance, forgiveness, and kindness to others as Jesus taught
- ✦ I will keep confidential what is said during discussions and take seriously the trust others have placed in me

## ✦ I will be PRESENT

- ✦ When I come to Confirmation, I will do the best I can to leave outside concerns at the door and try to keep focused on the process
- ✦ I will fully participate in all sessions I attend; if I cannot attend a session, I will let the leaders know in advance and make up the missed session.
- ✦ I will arrive on time and not leave early without prior consent from the Confirmation Leader or Coordinator of Youth Ministry.
- ✦ I will feel free to ask questions, challenge opinions, and say what I really think; I will share as openly as I feel comfortable, and I will always be honest

## ✦ I will be COMMITTED

- ✦ I will go to Mass, receive the sacraments, and pray regularly
- ✦ I will do my best to serve and contribute to my community
- ✦ I will prepare myself to become a responsible adult in the Catholic Church

*I agree to participate fully in ALL of the preparation requirements laid out in the information packet.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Signature: \_\_\_\_\_