

SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022 CALENDAR

Confirmation Year 1

Wednesdays, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

OCTOBER	6*, 13, 20*, 27
NOVEMBER	3, 10, 17
DECEMBER	1, 15
JANUARY	12, 19, 26
FEBRUARY	2, 9, 16
MARCH	9, 16, 23, 30*
APRIL	6, 20, 27*
MAY	4, 11, 18

IMPORTANT DATES

October 6 - Orientation with Parents
October 20 - Circle of Grace
March 30 - Service Hours due
March 30 - Family Service Project due
March 30 - Parent Formation due
April 27 - Sponsor Form due

PARENT FORMATION - COMPLETE 3

due on the last day of each month

NO CLASSES

November 24: Thanksgiving Break
December 8: Immaculate Conception
December 22: Christmas Break
December 29: Christmas Break
January 5: Christmas Break
February 23: President's Week
March 2: Ash Wednesday
April 12: Holy Week and Spring Break

PREPARATION TRACKER

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Name: _____

FORMS AND RESOURCES: olmcfairfield.org/confirmation

Sunday Mass Participation due in class

Service Hours Tracker due March 30

Family Service Project due March 30

Parent Formation due March 30

Sponsor Form due April 27

SUNDAY MASS PARTICIPATION - DUE IN CLASS

Mass is the source and summit of our faith. Please submit a reflection (at least one paragraph or five sentences) on what you learned from the Mass.

PARENT FORMATION - MARCH 30

Parents are the primary catechists of their children (CCC 2223, 2226). The formation of our minds and conversion of our hearts continue well past religious education. Parents must complete three (3) reflections on video talks from November through March. Each month will feature a different talk. Videos will be posted on olmcfairfield.org/confirmation.

SERVICE HOURS - MARCH 30

“Confirmation deepens our baptismal life that calls us to be missionary witnesses of Jesus Christ in our families, neighborhoods, society, and the world.” - *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*

Students must complete 12 hours per school year of preparation. Please complete and submit the Service Hours Tracker. Serve at Mass, at parish events, or through other opportunities outside of our parish. These service hours are in addition to the Family Service Project.

FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT - MARCH 30

Partner with an organization or create your own project. Total time spent completing project must at least be 12 hours. Email your catechist a photo of your family while serving with a paragraph explaining what you did and why you chose the project. This project is in addition to the student's individual service hours.

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SPONSOR GUIDE

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Recognizing this important role, the Church requires that a sponsor be at least sixteen years of age, be fully initiated in the Church (has received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist), and be a practicing member of the Church. If married, the sponsor's marriage must be blessed by the Catholic Church.

Sponsors must not be the father or mother of the candidate.

These requirements (Canon 874) are aimed at making sure that a sponsor is more mature, informed, and experienced in the ways of our faith and culture than the candidate.

The ideal sponsor:

- already has a relationship of trust with the candidate
- is willing to meet regularly with the candidate as he or she prepares to celebrate Confirmation
- is prepared to accompany the candidate on his or her faith journey after Confirmation
- is willing to share his or her faith with the candidate
- is an older friend or relative in whom the candidate can confide
- is an open, honest, caring, committed, and encouraging person who will help the candidate grow in his or her understanding of the faith

In addition to a sponsor interview write-up by the candidate in Year 2, the sponsor must submit a **letter of verification** from his/her parish in the same school year. This letter must state that the sponsor is a Catholic in good standing and must be signed by the pastor.

SPONSOR FORM

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Name: _____

Please complete this form by April 27, 2022.

A letter of verification signed by sponsor's pastor and stamped with the parish seal will be due in Year 2.

Sponsor Name: _____

Sponsor Parish Name, City, State: _____

Sponsor Requirement Checklist:

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sponsor is not the father or mother of student

sponsor is 16 years old and older

sponsor has received the Sacrament of Baptism

sponsor has received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion

sponsor has received the Sacrament of Confirmation

if sponsor is married, married in the Roman Catholic Church

