Christ the King Confirmation Program Handbook

2021-2022



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Our Mission:

To lead the heart of every teen at Christ the King closer to Christ and His Holy Church

Our Vision:

That all teens and families who participate in our program leave with a deeper understanding of their Catholic faith, have built strong lasting friendships that are founded on their faith, and have the courage to speak the truth throughout all experiences in their lives.

Your Help as Parents:

Because of our bold intentions to bring our teens to a better understanding of the faith as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, we need to count on your prayers, your love, and your support in all we do. The most important influence in your students' lives regarding their faith, will be YOU! Whether it is spending time in Adoration on behalf of the program and our volunteers, or as large as leading the efforts to help lead a fundraiser; we need to count on all of the parents just as much as the parents count on us at CTK. Please be at our aide in bringing the works of Christ to you and your teen and into your homes!

Confirmation Agreement

Guidelines/Agreements:

1. Attendance

Classes will meet Wednesdays 2x per month throughout the school year consisting of five components throughout the two year program: Prayer, Creed, Morality, Liturgy/Sacraments, and Fellowship.Students will meet in person on Wednesday nights in the Queen of Heaven Center @ Christ the King Church from 6:15pm-7:15pm . All students are required to be at every class meeting on time and miss no more than **two absences** throughout the year. If a student is absent, they are required to do the following:

1.) Parents must contact Suzy Pillado (661) 903-0131 and leave a voice message or text message before class begins.

2.) Complete assignment sent by Suzy to make-up absence.

2. Spiritual Retreats

A one day on- site retreat will be planned in the spring at CTK.

3. Community Service

Confirmation 1:Students will be required to read C.S. Lewis' "Screwtape Letters" book and write a report/reflection on it.

Confirmation 2:Students will be required to write a report on their saint. The report should include details about the saint's life and why they have chosen to take that saint's name at confirmation.

4. Faith Formation, Support and General Expectations

Sponsors-Confirmation students need to choose a Catholic sponsor at the beginning of the year. Sponsors should be active in the faith, a confirmed catholic and are expected to be present and active throughout the student's journey to receive the Sacrament. Teens will input their Sponsor's information online on Google Classroom.

Mass- Normally mass attendance on the day of class is required when it is held on a Sunday, but because classes are being held on a weeknight please attend weekly mass as a family.

5. Diocesan Paperwork

Copies of Birth Certificates, Baptismal and First Holy Communion Certificates are required for families who did not receive the sacraments at Christ the King. Cost to register teen is \$35.00

6. Electronics

Cell phones, iPods, headphones and any other distractions, etc. are not to be used during class sessions or at any youth events.

7. <u>Flocknote</u>

This year we are transitioning to using Flocknote, which will allow us to better communicate with our families. It is important that you provide us with emails and phone numbers that are checked frequently as it is how we will be communicating with you on a weekly basis and updating you on any changes. You don't have to download any app, just provide your email/phone number where you'd like to receive updates and we will do the rest.

AFTER READING THIS HANDBOOK PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU SIGN THE CONFIRMATION AGREEMENT FORM AND EMAIL TO <u>YOUTHMINISTRY@CHRISTTHEKING.WS</u> OR IF YOU ARE MAILING IN YOUR PAPERWORK ALONG WITH YOUR REGISTRATION, MAIL IT TO 1800 BEDFORD WAY, BAKERSFIELD, CA 93308.

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