

Dear Parents of [potential] Confirmation Students:

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May the grace and peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you! My name is Will Murley and I run the Confirmation program here at St. Jude of the Lake. It is my sincerest hope that you and your son/daughter will be blessed as we journey together toward the sacrament of Confirmation.

Before we go into some of the Confirmation program details, I want to in this letter address all families whose children were in FFF last year. If you know of an 8th grade family who was not in FFF last year, please drop a hint to them that they might want to send me an e-mail or give me a call. You have top priority for registration. Also, please note that you are free to delay the sacrament of Confirmation; the sacrament is always offered to any student in 8th grade *and above* each year.

The primary mission of St. Jude's is to "Be Disciples. Make Disciples" and our sacramental preparation reflect that vision. **My goal is to make the faith exciting and Holy-Spirit-filled - and give your child the tools and desire to be a disciple of Christ.** Our theme is "A Year In the Life of the Church" and we will experience the breadth, width, and depth of Catholicism: Beauty. Theology. Saints. Liturgy. Spirituality. Bible.

In our Confirmation program we use single-gender small-group ministry for Confirmation. Our men's small groups are led by seminarians from the St. John Vianney Seminary. Our women's small groups are led by mom volunteers. Our ideal small group size is seven plus one adult leader. If you are a mom open to helping with our small groups, please reach out to me. I will have more information in the near future pertaining to exact needs. All of our classes will begin and end in Kohler Hall unless otherwise noted.

There are two Parent Meeting options for you to ask questions and register your child:
Wednesday, September 29th at 6:30 pm and **Saturday, October 2nd at 10:00 am.**
Registration forms and packets are only available at this meeting. If one parent cannot attend either night, contact me to set up an alternate meeting time during regular business hours. Please feel free to call me with any questions or concerns you might have.

We continue to pray for our students and families. I look forward to working with your family this year!

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