

ST. CLARE OF ASSISI PARISH

CONFIRMATION 2010

Fr. John Borean, Pastor

Fr. Robert Mignella, Associate Pastor

Mrs. Lina Defilippis, Sacramental Preparation Coordinator

*Dear Confirmandi and Parents,*

Confirmation signals the beginning of your child's active future as an adult in the Catholic Church, and we pray, as the earliest disciples also prayed, that this next generation of Catholics will make a visible and holy change in the world and will keep this faith alive for their children. The following is an outline of all important information relating to Confirmation. *Please retain this information for future reference.*

<p>CONFIRMATION IS FOR...</p>	<p>The Sacrament of Confirmation is reserved for children who have received the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Holy Communion in the Roman Catholic rite. <i>Children baptized under the Chaldean, Coptic, Melkite, Syrian, Assyrian, Greek Orthodox, Romanian Orthodox or Eastern Rites have already been confirmed and will NOT receive the sacrament again.</i> As Christians who have already been fully initiated into the church, they are welcome to participate in the celebration and receive a special blessing.</p>
<p>REGISTRATION FORMS</p> <p><u>Cheques</u> may be made payable to St. Clare of Assisi Parish— Confirmation 2010 and should include the child's name, school and phone number on the back.</p>	<p>The attached registration form is only for those students who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and who have been baptized in the Roman rite. Please fill in all information carefully and include a <i>photocopy</i> (not the original) of your baptismal certificate. These forms and a fee of \$30.00 are due <i>before</i> Friday, October 30, 2009 and will be collected by your teacher <i>at the school</i>. Please staple the fee to the registration and photocopied baptismal forms and hand it in as soon as possible to your child's teacher.</p> <p><i>Any forms and fees that come in after should be brought directly to the parish office.</i></p>
<p>SPONSORS</p>	<p>As with the sacrament of Baptism, Confirmandi require a sponsor to support them on their faith journey. Confirmandi should choose <u>one</u> sponsor. The sponsor's role is to be a <i>model of faith</i>, someone who lives as a mature, committed member of the <i>Catholic</i> faith community. According to the norms of the Catholic Church, a Confirmation Sponsor :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>must</b> be a Catholic adult (16 years of age or older) who has already been baptized and has received Confirmation (in a Roman Catholic Church) and is <i>practicing</i> his/her faith with faithful participation in the Eucharist.</li> <li>➤ is familiar with the confirmation candidate. The sponsor should be able to acknowledge that the person being confirmed is a true witness of Christ and faithfully fulfils the duties of the sacrament.</li> <li>➤ can be either male or female.</li> <li>➤ cannot be a parent. <i>Parents cannot be sponsors for their own children.</i></li> </ul>
<p>YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND...</p>	<p><u>All Confirmandi and their Sponsors</u> are invited to a paraliturgical celebration on <u>THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010 at 6:45 pm in the church.</u></p> <p>All confirmandi must inform the parish of their sponsor's name by this time.</p> <p><i>Parents need not attend.</i></p> <p><u>In the event of inclement weather</u>, we will inform your child's school of any cancellation. Please also call 905-653-8005 for information related to this event.</p>

<p>CONFESSION</p>	<p>Confessions will be heard at the school prior to the celebration of Confirmation. If your child has not practiced the sacrament recently, please ensure you bring him/her to church to do so. Reconciliation is celebrated every Saturday afternoon at 4:00 pm. Please consult the Sunday bulletin for Reconciliation dates and times during Lent.</p>									
<p>CATECHETICAL PREPARATION</p>	<p>Fr. Robert will be visiting all the grade 8 classes throughout the school year. Catechetical preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation is primarily the responsibility of each confirmand and his/her parents and teachers. This includes regular participation in Sunday Eucharist and formal religious instruction by the classroom/religious education teacher.</p>									
<p>REHEARSAL DATES</p>	<p>Rehearsals will take place the day before the Confirmation Mass. Please ensure that your child is present for school on the rehearsal date. Sponsors do not need to attend the rehearsal. They will be given instructions before the Mass begins on the night of Confirmation.</p>									
<p>CELEBRATION of the SACRAMENT of CONFIRMATION</p>	<p><i>Children will receive the sacrament of Confirmation at St. Clare of Assisi Parish. The celebrant will be Fr. John Borean.</i></p>									
	<p><b>ARRIVAL TIME: 6:15 PM      Mass begins at 7:00 PM</b></p>									
	<table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">St. Agnes of Assisi on</td> <td style="width: 50%;">Tuesday, April 13, 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. Emily on</td> <td>Wednesday, April 14, 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. Clare on</td> <td>Tuesday, April 20, 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. Gregory the Great on</td> <td>Wednesday, April 21, 2010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>St. Veronica on</td> <td>Tuesday, April 27, 2010</td> </tr> </table> <p><i>together with the students from public and private schools</i></p> <p>Pictures will not be permitted during the celebration of the Mass. Individual pictures will be taken with Fr. John, Fr. Robert, the confirmand and sponsor at the end of Mass.</p>	St. Agnes of Assisi on	Tuesday, April 13, 2010	St. Emily on	Wednesday, April 14, 2010	St. Clare on	Tuesday, April 20, 2010	St. Gregory the Great on	Wednesday, April 21, 2010	St. Veronica on
St. Agnes of Assisi on	Tuesday, April 13, 2010									
St. Emily on	Wednesday, April 14, 2010									
St. Clare on	Tuesday, April 20, 2010									
St. Gregory the Great on	Wednesday, April 21, 2010									
St. Veronica on	Tuesday, April 27, 2010									
<p>DRESS CODE</p>	<p>Confirmandi will wear red gowns over their dress clothes. Gowns are distributed and collected by the parish on the night of the Confirmation. Please ensure that all confirmandi are <u>appropriately</u> dressed. Please no running shoes.</p>									
<p><b>CONTACT INFORMATION:</b></p>	<p><i>For all inquiries/concerns with respect to Confirmation please contact Mrs. Lina Defilippis, Sacramental Preparation Coordinator at <a href="mailto:ld@sca-p.org">ld@sca-p.org</a> or by leaving a voicemail message at (905) 653-8005</i></p>									