

# *Journey*

## *High School Confirmation Preparation*

### **Requirements & Due Dates:** **Confirmation Preparation (YEAR ONE) 2020-2021**

#### **Sponsor Eligibility Form:**

The sponsor qualification form is a letter that must be completed by the Sponsor's registered parish. We have outlined forms/letters you can use but you must pick them up in the office or at a Journey event. Then you must go to the **SPONSOR'S PARISH** stating that the person that the candidate has chosen to be their sponsor, is a Confirmed, active, and practicing Catholic. The letter/form must have the Parish Seal or Pastors Signature on it. If the candidate's sponsor is from St. Martha in Murrieta, we won't need a form/letter as long as we are able to verify the sponsor has completed all their sacraments. If the Sponsor is from our parish the candidate will need to provide us with their sponsor's parish member number. Candidates will also need to complete their sponsor's "paragraph form" (see below for details regarding the paragraph form). **DUE BY: August 4, 2021**

#### **Sponsor Paragraph Form:**

This form is a paragraph long and written by the candidate stating why they have chosen this person to be their sponsor. This form is due along with the sponsor qualification form. The Sponsor Paragraph Form can only be submitted online at [saintmarthayouth.com](http://saintmarthayouth.com). **DUE BY: August 4, 2021**

#### **Field Guide 1, Chapters 1 - 4:**

All candidates are asked to complete "Field Guide One" within their first year at [saintmarthayouth.com](http://saintmarthayouth.com). The four chapters will vary between individual assignments and co-assignments requiring a parent's/sponsor's participation. They are due by the end of your first year of Confirmation preparation. These online assignments are designed to expose candidates to different prayer styles, the teachings of the church, scripture, the sacraments, the lives of the Saints, etc. A Catholic Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church are needed to complete these assignments. Both can be found online.

**DUE BY: August 4, 2021**

#### **Retreat:**

All candidates are required to participate in **at least one** weekend retreat prior to Confirmation. Youth Ministry offers a fall retreat each year that is open to all high school students. Candidates attend the retreat for a subsidized fee.

**DUE BY: December / 2022**

#### **Service Project:**

All first year candidates are required to take part in three (3) separate multi-day service projects (one per year) over a period of three years. Details on the parameters for your service project can be found on [saintmarthayouth.com](http://saintmarthayouth.com).

**DUE BY: August 4, 2021**

#### **Parent/Sponsor Participation:**

Each Candidate must complete a minimum of 21 events in three years. **Candidates are required to attend their Journey events WITH a Parent or Sponsor.** Parents and Sponsors will also be required to participate in some of the assignments done online and in the Field Guides. Candidates are also encouraged to attend at least two (2) nights of High School Youth Group (aka Life Night) each year (one each semester) for a total of six (6) Life Nights over three years.

For field guide assignments, details, times, dates, forms and retreat information, please visit [www.saintmarthayouth.com](http://www.saintmarthayouth.com). The Journey Kick Off Event online will show you how to navigate the website. Candidates **MAY NOT** proceed to their next year of preparation until the current year's requirements are completed.

## ***Journey Events:***

*Check In at 6:30 pm / Starts at 6:55 pm*

### **EVENT DATES:**

**August 5, 2020** - Mandatory Online Event (Journey Kick-Off!) **ALL MUST ATTEND**

**September 2, 2020** - Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Event

-- **September 6, 2020** – *Life Night (TBA)*

*(Candidates are encouraged to participate in Life Teen but not required too)*

**October 7, 2020** - Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Event

**November 4, 2020** - Mandatory Event (*Virtus Training*) - **ALL MUST ATTEND**

**December 2, 2020** - Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Event

-- **December 4–6, 2020** - *Youth Ministry Retreat (TBA)*

*(Candidates must attend one retreat within their three years in Journey)*

**January 6, 2021** - Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Event

**February 3, 2021** - Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Event

-- **March, 2021**- Revival (Parish Mission) - Credit for **ONE** Journey event (TBA)

**April 7, 2021** - Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Event

**May 5, 2021** - Candidate/Sponsor/Parent Event

**June / 2020** - (No Events / Summer Break)

**July / 2020** - (No Events / Summer Break)

-- Steubenville Conference (TBA)

*(Candidates may attend this event as a makeup opportunity)*

**!! (Please note that ALL event types, dates, and times are subject to change) !!**

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding any of this material please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to serve you!

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