



## Attention Parents and Guardians of Grade 6 Students



### Registration For Confirmation 2021 Our Lady of Fatima Church

If you would like your child to receive the Sacraments in the spring of 2021 you **MUST** follow the steps listed below. Dates for celebration of the Sacraments have not yet been determined. We must await direction from the Archdiocese regarding the date for Confirmation.

**If your child is not yet baptized, or if s/he was baptized in another Christian community (not in a Catholic church), please contact the Parish Office at 613-722-7661x2 or [info@fatimaparish.ca](mailto:info@fatimaparish.ca) before October 9, 2020 to make arrangements.**

#### **PLEASE FOLLOW THESE STEPS:**

1. If your child is not yet baptized or was baptized in another Christian community, contact the Parish Office **before October 9, 2020** to make arrangements.
2. **All parents** - visit the parish website at [www.fatimaparish.ca](http://www.fatimaparish.ca). Under "Sacraments & Services" click on "First Communion/Confirmation" for detailed information. Begin by watching the video message from Fr. Bosco Wong then follow the steps for registration.
3. You will be asked to use an e-resource at home to help prepare your child for the Sacraments. There is a nominal cost\* for the e-resource license, which you must attach to the completed Registration Form. This applies to all children, whether they attend a Catholic school or a public school. \*The fee is \$5 for Confirmation. If you require financial assistance, or if you do not have access to a computer or printer please contact Fr Bosco Wong at 613-722-7661x3
4. Select a sponsor for your child. The sponsor must be a practising Catholic over the age of 16 and cannot be the child's parent. See below for more information. The sponsor must sign the form below and it must be returned to the church no later than November 1, 2020.
4. Complete the Registration Form below, attach a copy of your child's baptismal certificate and return with payment to Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 153 Woodroffe Avenue, Ottawa, ON K2A 3T8 att: Sacraments **by October 15, 2020**. You may also drop it in the mail slot of the front door of the Rectory (house) at 153 Woodroffe, facing the funeral home. If you prefer to pay by cash or credit card you may come to the Parish Office Mon-Tues 9am-3pm or Wed 9am-1pm. **Please do not return the form/payment to the school, it must be sent to the church.**

Once your child is registered you will receive a confirmation e-mail. Do not hesitate to contact me at [ofsacrament@gmail.com](mailto:ofsacrament@gmail.com) should you have any questions.

Sincerely, Ann-Marie Butt, Sacramental Preparation Liaison

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH REGISTRATION FOR SACRAMENTS 2020-2021**  
**CONFIRMATION**

**IMPORTANT:**

Please attach a copy of your child's baptismal certificate and \$5 fee  
Return to Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 153 Woodroffe Avenue, Ottawa, ON K2A 3T8  
**no later than October 15, 2020**  
**Registration is not complete without attached baptismal certificate and fee**

**Please Print Clearly**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

By providing your e-mail address you give permission for e-mail notifications regarding Sacramental Preparation

***If your child was baptized in a Catholic Church please note the date of Confirmation has not yet been determined by the Archdiocese.***

Baptism Certificate Attached ☐

My child has received the Sacrament of Reconciliation

YES

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NO

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My child has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist

YES

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NO

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I have attached the e-resource license fee for Confirmation (\$5)

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***If your child is not yet baptized, or if s/he was baptized in another Christian community (not in a Catholic church) we need time for the child to be prepared in the best way possible to be received into the Catholic Church.***

My child is not Baptized

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My child was Baptized in another Christian community (not in a Catholic Church),

Baptism Certificate attached

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I have contacted the Parish Office **before October 9, 2020**

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I have attached the e-resource license fee for Baptism, Reconciliation, 1st Communion, Confirmation (\$20)

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**e-RESOURCE INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARENTS  
SACRAMENTS 2020-2021**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

You have made the important decision to have your child prepare to receive the Sacraments in the upcoming year! We have discovered a wonderful e-resource (Growing Up Catholic) for you to use at home to help your child prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion or Confirmation. In the comfort of your own home, at your own pace, you are asked to print the handouts which we will e-mail to you every few weeks. We suggest allowing two weeks for each session but please adapt the schedule to your family's needs, as long as all sessions are **completed by March 31, 2021**.

**Once your registration has been confirmed you will receive an e-mail containing the first session handouts.** There is a nominal charge to cover the cost of the license for the material. If you do not have access to a printer or if you need financial assistance please contact Fr Bosco Wong at 613-722-7661x3 or [pastor@fatimaparish.ca](mailto:pastor@fatimaparish.ca).

<b>CONFIRMATION – FEE \$5</b>
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**For children now registering for 2021.**

**You must have already done 1<sup>st</sup> Communion and Reconciliation.**

- You might want to consider setting aside an hour every Sunday to work with your child on these handouts. You will see that the material is very easy to follow and provides an excellent opportunity for you to share in your child's faith journey.
- We expect that Confirmation will be celebrated sometime in the Spring of 2021 but we must await further direction from the Archdiocese. We will let you know as soon as we have more details.
- We recommend the following schedule although you have the discretion to adapt the schedule to your family's needs, as long as all sessions are complete **by January 31, 2021**.

Confirmation	Session 1 – God Chooses Me	Complete by Nov 8/20
	Session 2 – The Holy Spirit Gives Us Gifts	Complete by Nov 22/20
	Session 3 – Honoring Mary: The “First Disciple”	Complete by Jan 17/21
	Session 4 – We Grow In Holiness	Complete by Jan 31/21



The sponsor for your child is to assist your child to live an active Catholic life before and after the celebration of Confirmation. The sponsor also presents the candidate to the bishop at the celebration of Confirmation. It should be someone that your child trusts and respects and is a good role model of a committed practicing Catholic.

## Sponsors

The recommended sponsor for your child at Confirmation is one of your child's godparents. A godparent best supports the link of Confirmation to Baptism but as well this person most likely already has a special relationship with your child. However, it is not always possible or desirable to select a godparent so another person may be chosen as your child's sponsor for Confirmation.

A sponsor must have completed full initiation into the Roman Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist and should be regularly participating in Sunday Eucharist. Sponsors should be at least sixteen years of age and cannot be the parent of the candidate. The sponsor may be male or female and need not be the same sex as the candidate.

Sponsors fulfill their roles by supporting the parents and the candidates as they prepare for full initiation into the Church. Participation in the Confirmation celebration is only a small part of the duty of a sponsor. The relationship of the sponsor and candidate should continue long after the day of Confirmation.

You and your child should discuss together about who should take on the role of sponsor. It is best if the sponsor is able to be at the Confirmation celebration but someone else (even the parent) may stand in for the sponsor if they are unable to attend.

**DUE NO LATER THAN NOV. 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2020**

**STATEMENT OF MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS  
OF CANON LAW FOR BEING A BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION  
GODPARENT/SPONSOR**

Excerpts from the Catholic Church's Code of Canon Law:

Canon 872 - Insofar as possible one to be baptized is to be given a sponsor who is to assist an adult in Christian initiation, or, together with the parents, to present an infant at the baptism, and who will help the baptized to lead a Christian life in harmony with baptism, and to fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it.

Canon 873 - Only one male or one female sponsor or one of each is to be employed.

Canon 874 –

- 1) to be admitted to the role of sponsor, a person must:
  - A) be designated by the one to be baptized, by the parents or the one who takes their place or, in their absence, by the pastor or minister and is to have the qualifications and intentions of performing the role;
  - B) have completed the sixteenth year;
  - C) be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist and leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken;
  - D) not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared;
  - E) not be the father or the mother of the one to be baptized.
- 2) A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic ecclesial community may not be admitted except as a witness to baptism and together with a Catholic sponsor.

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I \_\_\_\_\_ have read and do understand the requirements  
*Print Full Name*

for serving as a godparent/sponsor in the Catholic Church. I do solemnly swear that I am a fully initiated Catholic(having celebrated Baptism, Confirmation and First Eucharist); I understand that I am to live a life in harmony with the nature of this responsibility, seeking to be faithful to the teachings of the Church, and to regularly attend Mass and receive the sacraments of the Church; I am not in an irregular marriage (my marriage is recognized as a valid Catholic marriage). Therefore, I am eligible to be admitted to the role of godparent/sponsor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

NAME OF CHILD: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

