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CONFIRMATION SCHEDULING for 2023

Greetings!

Please find below guidelines for scheduling Confirmation for your parish in 2023.

- ***Please submit the enclosed form, even if your parish is not having Confirmation in 2023*** (see question 1 on the form).
- **Confirmations may be scheduled during the following times next year:**
 - February 1 – February 21 (before Ash Wednesday)
 - After Easter through Pentecost (April 10 – May 28)
 - September 1 – December 31
- ***If you would like to schedule a spring Confirmation, please consider dates in April, as we do not have enough available dates in May to accommodate every parish.***
- Each parish hosting a Confirmation is asked to submit **three dates** for consideration and to hold them until their date is scheduled. We can usually schedule one of your requested dates, so holding the dates is important!
- Please avoid combining other parish events with Confirmation (blessings, dedications, anniversaries, etc.) We're happy to find another date when a bishop may visit.
- Invitations to dinner prior to Confirmation are most welcome but are not expected. The Archbishop and Bishop will plan to stay after Confirmation to greet the newly Confirmed and their families, and will stay for a reception if you are hosting one at your parish.
- You will receive an email acknowledgement that your Confirmation form has been received. You will also receive by email news of your Confirmation date once scheduled, normally 4 to 5 weeks after the deadline to submit the form.
- In the months prior to your scheduled Confirmation date, the Archdiocesan Liturgy Office will work with you on planning and preparing for the liturgy and the participation of the Archbishop or Bishop.

If you have questions about scheduling Confirmation, please contact Kimberly Abadir at 206-382-4886 or kimberly.abadir@seattlearch.org.

Thank you for your assistance with this process.

**YEAR 2023
CONFIRMATION REQUEST**

February (pre-Lent) / Easter – Pentecost / September – December 2023

Please return this form to the **Office of the Archbishop, attn: Kimberly Abadir, by Friday, Sept. 16th.**

By email: kimberly.abadir@seattlearch.org
By fax: (206) 382-3495
By mail: 710 9th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104

Parish: _____ City: _____

If additional parishes will participate in your Confirmation (ex. parishes in your cluster) please list each parish:

Confirmation Coordinator: _____

Coordinator's Cell Phone: _____

Coordinator's Email Address: _____

1. **IMPORTANT! Please check this box if your parish is NOT having Confirmation in 2023:**

(STOP! Your form is now complete and ready to submit.)

2. How many individuals will you be presenting for Confirmation? _____

3. Will the Confirmation liturgy take place in your parish church or at another parish?

My parish (If checked, please proceed to question 4)

Another parish (Please indicate name and city below, and *STOP. Your form is now complete and ready to submit.*)
This would apply if you are combining your Confirmation celebration with another parish at their location.

Parish _____ City: _____

4. Please provide three dates between February 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023 (excluding Lent and Holy Week), in which Confirmation can be scheduled.

Dates: 1) _____ 2) _____ 3) _____

5. Will the liturgy be celebrated in a language other than English? If so, what language: _____

6. Time of Confirmation:

Weekday Confirmations: May be scheduled any time after 5:00 p.m. Preferred time: _____

Saturday and Sunday Confirmations: Should be scheduled at the parish's regular Vigil or Sunday Mass. Please indicate your usual Vigil/Sunday Mass time: _____

7. Will there be a reception following Confirmation? Yes No

Availability will determine whether Archbishop Etienne or one of the auxiliary bishops will visit your parish for Confirmation. Once you have returned this form with your response, please do not schedule any other events on your chosen dates/times until you have received written verification of your scheduled Confirmation date for 2023. Thank you.