

# St. Mary Immaculate Church

*Established in 1857*

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October 14, 2020

Dear Parents:

Greetings from St. Mary Immaculate Catholic Church. I hope you are ok, safe and healthy. Even though we are in pandemic we would love to prepare your child for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Sacraments are the foundation of life in the Catholic Church. We want to bring that life to your child.

Congratulations on taking this next big step in your child's spiritual journey which you began for them at their baptism. As teenagers, they will now renew for themselves their baptismal promises.

When children are baptized in the Catholic Church, parents take on the responsibility of raising them in the practice of the faith by keeping God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbour. While parents are the primary educators of their children, they are assisted by godparents, sponsors, and Catholic teachers in the overall faith formation of their children. This is an important year of preparation for your family as your child prepares to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. The best preparation that you can give your child is **REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT MASS**.

The registration form, which is attached to this letter, must be handed in to the Parish no later than **November 15, 2020**. You may drop it off through the mail slot of the Parish office door or at Mass in the weekly offertory basket. Please include a copy of your child's baptismal certificate as this is absolutely necessary for registration as well as \$75.00 registration fee in a sealed envelope.

Children attending catholic schools will receive instruction through the school's religious program and are not required to take Confirmation classes. If your child attends private or public school, they are expected to attend Confirmation classes. Under normal circumstances, Confirmation classes were held in the Parish hall on Sundays. However, this year due to COVID-19 classes will be held virtually via the Parish zoom account **Sunday afternoons from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm beginning in January 2021**.

At this time, we remain with great uncertainty about the pandemic's direction and therefore are unable to provide specific dates of when the classes will begin or when Confessions and the Sacrament of Confirmation can be celebrated. We will keep you posted.

As your Pastor, I cannot emphasize enough the importance of this occasion both for the children and for our parish family as they take their final step toward their full initiation as members of the Church.

Let us assist our young people with our prayers as they prepare to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Wishing your family the richness of God's many blessings during this time of preparation, I am,

Stay safe and healthy.

Yours in Christ,



Rev. Pawel Zborowski  
Pastor

# 2020-21 Confirmation Registration Form

Please complete this form and return it to the parish by **November 15, 2020**

**(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)**



## School Information

Name of School: _____	Grade & Teacher: _____
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## Parish Information

Name of Parish: <b>St. Mary Immaculate Church</b>	City: <b>Richmond Hill</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> I currently live within the territorial boundaries of the parish.	
<input type="checkbox"/> I currently <b>do not</b> live within the territorial boundaries of the parish, but I am formally registered at the parish.	

## Child's Information\*\*\*\*attach a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate to this form\*\*\*\*

Full legal name of child: (Please ensure the name below matches the one shown on the Baptismal Certificate)		
_____	_____	_____
First Name	Middle Name(s)	Last Name
<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth: _____	City of Birth: _____
Church of Baptism: _____		Date of Baptism: _____
Address of Baptismal Church: _____		
Church Email: _____	Church Phone: _____	

## Parent's Information

### Mother (Full legal name & Maiden Name)

_____	_____	_____	_____
First Name	Middle Name(s)	Last Name	(Maiden Name)
Religion: <input type="checkbox"/> Roman Catholic	Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> None	
Present Address: _____			
Street		City	Postal Code
Phone: _____	Email: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a parent of, or have legal custody of the child.			

### Father (Full legal name)

_____	_____	_____	
First Name	Middle Name(s)	Last Name	
Religion: <input type="checkbox"/> Roman Catholic	Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> None	
Present Address: <input type="checkbox"/> Same as mother's			
Street		City	Postal Code
Phone: _____	Email: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a parent of, or have legal custody of the child.			

## Eligibility of Sponsor

Canon 892 Insofar as possible, there is to be a sponsor for the person to be confirmed; the sponsor is to take care that the confirmed person behaves as a true witness of Christ and faithfully fulfills the obligations inherent in this sacrament.

Canon 893 §1. To perform the function of sponsor, a person must fulfill the conditions mentioned in canon 874 (*see below*).

The following are the requirements in order for a Catholic to be a sponsor (Godparent) (canon 874):

- At least 16 years of age
- He/She has been fully initiated in the Catholic Church (received Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation)
- In good standing with the Church (e.g. has not married outside of the Catholic Church; not cohabiting)
- Not the father or mother of the one to be confirmed

## Sponsor's Information

Sponsor (Full legal name):

First Name

Middle Name(s)

Last Name

Current Parish:

City:

Sponsor's Address:

Street

City

Postal Code

Phone:

Email:

Fulfills the requirements of canon 874 above. **(must be checked off)**

## Declaration

I, the undersigned, declare that the information on this form (Pages 1 & 2) is true and accurate. I authorize by my signature below, for my child to participate in the classes, if necessary, via the Parish zoom account.

Name:

(PLEASE PRINT)

Signature:

Date:

**For Confirmation Gown:** Please circle one only: height measured from the top of the child's head to the floor.

XXS	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL
4'3"- 4'5"	4'5"-4'8"	4'9"-5'1"	5'2"- 5'4"	5'5"-5'7"	5'8"-5'11"	6' and up
129-134 cm	137-142 cm	145-158 cm	158-163 cm	166-170 cm	173-180 cm	180+ cm