

# St. Mary Immaculate Church

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Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary Immaculate Catholic Church.

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**.

Registration will take place on **Sunday, September 17 and Sunday, September 24 after the 12:30 pm Mass** in the Parish hall. Please include a copy of your child's baptismal certificate as this is absolutely necessary for registration as well as \$75.00 registration fee. Registrations will not be accepted after **October 31, 2023**.

If your child is in Grade 8 and did not receive the Sacrament when in Grade 7, you may complete a registration form for this year.

If your child attends private or public school, they are expected to attend Confirmation classes. Classes will take place **Sunday afternoons right after the 4:30 pm Mass from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm beginning in January 2024**. Specific dates of when the classes will begin will be provided at a later date.

Children attending catholic schools will receive instruction through the school's religious program in preparing them for the Sacrament and are not required to take classes, however, they are more than welcome to attend if you wish.

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)** will take place on **Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 7:00 pm**. The **Sacrament of Confirmation** this year will be celebrated by Bishop Boissonneau and will take place in April and May. Specific dates will be provided at a later date.

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,

Yours in Christ



Rev. Pawel Zborowski  
Pastor

# 2023-24 Confirmation Registration Form

Please complete this form and return it to the parish.  
Registrations will **NOT** be accepted after **October 31, 2023**

**Registration Fee: \$75**  
**(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 Baptism Certificate)			
_____	_____	_____	_____
First Name	Middle Name(s)	Last Name	
<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth: mm/dd/yy _____	City of Birth: _____	
Church of Baptism: _____	Date of Baptism: mm/dd/yy _____		
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: _____		

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: _____		

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, and 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