



ST. MARY IMMACULATE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

10295 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4C 3B9

September 3, 2024

Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary Immaculate Catholic Church.

Congratulations on taking this next big step in your children'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**. This year we are strongly encouraging our Confirmation candidates to participate in our weekend Religious Education Program.

Enrolment Sunday will take place on **Sunday, September 22 and Sunday, September 29 at 12:30 pm Masses**. Father will be asking the children to step forward during the Mass and there will be a simple enrolment ceremony. Registration will follow after 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 \$80.00 registration fee to cover materials and administrative costs. Registration forms will not be accepted if any information is missing. Deadline to register is **October 31, 2024, forms will not be accepted after this date**.

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 is in a higher grade and under the age of 17, please complete the RCIC registration form available on our website or contact the parish office as this requires a different registration process.

If your child attends private or public school, they are expected to attend Confirmation classes. Classes will take place Sunday afternoons, **beginning in January 2025 from 2:45 pm – 4:15 pm followed with Mass at 4:30 pm**. 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, May 1, 2025 at 7:00 pm**.

The **Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place in May. Specific dates will be provided late November.

As your Pastor, once again I remind you 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.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Shibil John Pariyathupadavil
Pastor

2024-25 Confirmation Registration Form

Please complete this form and return it to the parish.
Registrations will **NOT** be accepted after **October 31, 2024**

Registration Fee: \$80
(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)



School Information

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

Name of Parish: St. Mary Immaculate Church	City: Richmond Hill
<input type="checkbox"/> I currently live within the territorial boundaries of the parish.	
<input type="checkbox"/> I currently do not 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: _____	City of Birth: _____	
	mm/dd/yy		
Church of Baptism: _____	Date of Baptism: _____		
	mm/dd/yy		
Address of Baptismal Church: _____			
Church Email: _____	Church Phone: _____		

Parent's Information			
<u>Mother (Full legal name & Maiden Name)</u>			
_____	_____	_____	_____
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.			
<u>Father (Full legal name)</u>			
_____	_____	_____	_____
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, 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