



## *St. James Faith Formation Office*

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Dear Parents and Students in Confirmation,

Registration has begun for Faith Formation classes at St. James. Please go to the St. James website at <http://www.stjamescaz.org/> and register electronically or you may download the form and send in to the Faith Formation Office to my attention: Lisa Matto, at 6 Green Street, Cazenovia, 13035.

Registration must be completed by August 1<sup>st</sup> as we need to send a list of participants to the school office for release. Parents of children with special needs, please fill out the Individual Faith Formation Plan provided by the diocese so we can ensure all of our children have a successful, faith filled and fun year.

If your child has not participated in 9<sup>th</sup> grade Faith Formation they will need to make that up before beginning the Confirmation sacramental preparation courses. This follows diocesan guidelines.

The \$30 registration fee for Confirmation assists the parish in programming costs which include curriculum, retreat, guest speakers, lunch and materials. If registration and payment are not in to St. James by August 1<sup>st</sup>, a late fee will be charged. If payment is a hardship for any family, please contact Lisa Matto at 315-655-3441

Confirmation classes are as follows: Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, (Is also the date of the diocesan required retreat), Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, (Rite of Enrollment Mass at 11), Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Please see the enclosed calendar for details. The first class begins with 9 A.M Mass and then we will proceed to the ropes course in Lafayette or our retreat and first class. The retreat is required by the diocese, so if your child misses they will need to make it up at another parish. The other 5 classes begin with 11 Mass followed by a catered lunch from Dave's Diner. The second class on October 16<sup>th</sup>, which is also the Rite of Enrollment Mass, will also include the mandatory parent meeting set by the diocese. Students and at least one parent attend from 1:30 to 2 P.M.

We have scheduled two dates for a class service projects at the Samaritan Center. Each student must pick one date to participate. The first is Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> which is Columbus Day, so no school. The second is Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. The service should go from 10 A.M. until approximately 3 P.M. Drivers needed.

We worked with the school district to plan for a Confirmation date that would not interfere with any major event or activity. We have requested 3 dates that we sent to the diocese immediately after the registration forms were available online. The dates are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> Choice, Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 P.M., Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, at the 5 P.M Vigil and Thursday Evening, March 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7 P.M. Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup> is a school holiday for the kids. AS soon as we here from the diocese on a d ate we will immediately let you know. Please call or email with any questions or concerns.

Happy Summer and we cannot wait to see all of our students in the fall. #WeAreStJames #WeLoveOurKids

*Sincerely,*

*Lisa Matto*

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