

**St. Mary Confirmation Program 2022-2023**  
**Confirmation date: TBD**

**Expectations:**

- Typed letter to Fr. Russell explaining why you want to be confirmed. Must be at least one paragraph in length. Please turn in by: **Sunday, October 30, 2022**
- Regular attendance at Sunday Mass and **ten** Mass reflections. All 10 Mass reflections should be from this school year and turned in as they are completed. **Due date is Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023**
- Attend the Sponsor/Confirmandi Retreat with your sponsor **Saturday, March 11, 2023**
- Complete **four** Service Projects and submit Reflection Form - service opportunities are sent using SignUpGenius
- Must have completed Religious Ed or Catholic school the previous year.
- Regular attendance at RE. Cannot miss more than 3 classes during the school year or will be dropped from the Confirmation program. Catholic school fulfills this requirement by attending school on a regular basis.

All paperwork can be turned in to Annalisa McMaster or Mrs. Dobie by the deadlines listed above.

Service projects revolve around the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. These are what we are called to do as Catholics. This experience will give students exposure in a variety of areas.

**Service project options will be made available through SignUpGenius.** The dates, times, locations and instructions will be included in the sign-up and sent to you using the email address listed on the Confirmation registration form. Credit for the service is received when the reflection form is turned in to the Parish office.

**St. Mary school students** are able to use 1 school related event as a service project as long as it is a work of Mercy (as described below) along with a reflection form completed and turned in indicating the work of mercy performed.

**CATECHISM #2447**

**Corporal Works of Mercy**– Feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, clothe the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned and bury the dead.

**Spiritual Works of Mercy**- Instructing, advising, consoling, comforting, forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently.

Giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity; it is also a work of justice pleasing to God.

**Feed the hungry:** St. Vincent de Paul or Salvation Army Food Pantry, Feed My Starving Children

**Sheltering the homeless:** Prepare a meal for Hope Haven

**Clothe the naked:** St. Vincent dePaul clothing drive

**Visit the sick and imprisoned:** Nursing home visits

**Bury the dead:** Prep cemetery for winter

**Alms giving:** Decorate & clean church for upcoming holidays

**Spiritual Works of Mercy:** Prayer service in the church for the unborn on anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Visiting the cemetery to pray for the souls of those buried there.