

ST. PATRICK PARISH
APPLICATION FOR CONFIRMATION FALL 2024

Please print. All information is needed for application to be complete. Thank you.

Student Name: _____
First Name *Last Name*

Address: _____
Number and Street *City* *Zip*

Date of Birth: _____ Age as of 10/24/24: _____

Date of Baptism: _____ Church of Baptism: _____

(**Must** supply a copy of Baptismal certificate if child **did not receive** First Communion at St. Patrick Parish)

Address for Church of Baptism: (only needed if other than St. Patrick Parish)

Street *City* *State* *Zip*

Father's Name: _____
First Name *Last Name*

Mother's Name: _____
First Name **Maiden Name**

Email address: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Name Selected for Confirmation: _____

Name of Sponsor: _____

Parish of Sponsor: _____

(All sponsors **MUST** supply a letter of Eligibility from their parish even if from St. Patrick – **letter due 10/01/24**)

City and State of Sponsor's Parish

I/We present my/our child mentioned above for the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Patrick Parish. I am aware that my child will need to attend a retreat and a practice in preparation for the Confirmation. (Dates can be found under the Confirmation schedule.)

Signature of Parent(s): _____

We are registered members of St. Patrick Parish: YES NO

(If NO, my Pastor's permission is attached.)

Please submit the following to Religious Education Office.131 Channing Avenue

Deadline: June 30, 2024:

- Confirmation Application Packet (Application, Photo Policy, Robe order form)
- Baptismal Certificate (if did not receive First Communion at St. Patrick)
- \$125 fee (Check enclosed or Online Payment) for Confirmation materials

Thank You!



CONFIRMATION ROBE ORDER FORM

CLASS OF 2024

Please complete and return this form with your application by June 30, 2024.

Name of Student _____ Height _____ ' _____ "

School Attending in Fall 2024 _____

The robes will be mid-calf length on both the boys and the girls.

Student's total height in feet and inches wearing shoes:

4'9" – 4'11" _____

5'0" – 5'2" _____

5'3" – 5'5" _____

5'6" – 5'8" _____

5'9" – 5'11" _____

6'0" – 6'2" _____



My child will wear an older siblings robe _____

Memo

To: Parents/Guardians of candidates for Confirmation
From: Sr. Eileen Tiernan
Date: May 2024
RE: **Guidelines for Photographs and Videos**

The reception of a sacrament is a precious and holy moment in the life of your child. In order to safeguard a sacred atmosphere in the Church during the Confirmation liturgy, parents/guardians and family members are discouraged from taking pictures and recording videos from their pews. The parish has hired *Bradley Digital* to photograph the entire liturgy.

Bradley Digital will photograph the actual moment of your child's anointing with sacred chrism by the Bishop. In addition to this keepsake, a professional formal portrait of each child will be taken with the Bishop after the Liturgy has concluded.

Saint Patrick's is providing each family with the following **COMPLIMENTARY** photos:

Two high resolution digital images, which can be selected online after the ceremony.

For your convenience, *Bradley Digital* provides a secure, password protected photo gallery website to view these photographs. Families are able to review these photograph as well as other candid photographs of the liturgy within 24-48 hours.

You will receive a coupon code specific to your family for ordering your 2 complimentary photos. You will also have the opportunity to purchase additional images and re-prints at this time.

Please read and sign the information below. Return this form with the paperwork for Confirmation to the Religious Education Office 131 Channing Avenue by June 30, 2024.

**Photo/Live Stream Policy during Confirmation Mass
Saint Patrick Church in Malvern, PA**

- I understand that photographs and videos are not permitted during the Confirmation liturgy. At no time am I or any family member permitted to leave our seats to take photos or record videos.
- I give *Bradley Digital* permission to photograph my child during the Confirmation Mass. I understand that the photograph(s) of my child will be posted at a secure website provided by *Bradley Digital*.
- I understand that the Confirmation Mass may be live-streamed/recorded and give permission for my child, family, and guests to possibly be seen on camera.

Name of Child _____
(Please Print)

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____
(Please Print)

Signature of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Date _____

Role of a Sponsor

A Call to Integrity



Dear Godparent/Sponsor

The role of Godparent at Baptism or Sponsor at Confirmation is more than merely ceremonial. Often times in the past, we could say that the Church had this or that requirement. However, the first question is not whether or not the Church **will permit me to be** a Godparent or Sponsor, but rather whether or not **I can allow MYSELF** to be one! In other words, each of us must ask ourselves if our own **integrity** allows us to stand at the Altar and make a public profession that the faith we speak **in word** is also a **faith in practice!**

The role of Godparent and Sponsor does not demand that you be a canonized saint. All of us must place ourselves within the mercy of God . We all have miles to go in our path of Christian progress. We also know that sometimes it happens that members of families who have stopped attending Mass or who rarely receive the Sacraments suddenly find themselves asked to be a Godparent or Sponsor. If you are in a similar situation, we invite you to let this moment be a real opportunity to grow in the Spirit and in your faith. You could choose to make the signing of the attached form a real grace of change, a moment of re-commitment. You could resolve to sit down with a Priest, Pastoral staff member, or a practicing Catholic family member or friend and chart a new path for your faith.

Perhaps you are not ready for this. If you cannot bring yourself to a renewed practice of your faith then by all means be honest enough to simply ask the relative or friend who asked you to be a Godparent or Sponsor to let you be excused. This is what is meant by a **call to integrity**. Whatever you discern, do so by the grace of God, and not being harder on yourself than the Church herself is.

If we can be of any assistance in your discernment or in nurturing the grace that this occasion provides for you, please give us a call.

Sincerely,

The Priests and Pastoral Staff of

St. Patrick Parish

St. Patrick Catholic Church
131 Channing Avenue
Malvern, PA 19355
www.stpatrickmalvern.org

CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR GODPARENT AT BAPTISM OR SPONSOR AT CONFIRMATION

I _____ have been invited to be a sponsor at the
Baptism/Confirmation of _____.

I attest that I am:

1. At least 16 years old
2. A Roman Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.
3. A registered member of _____
(Name of Parish)

(Parish City and State)
4. A practicing Catholic, who participates in Mass every Saturday/Sunday, receives the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly and believes and lives according to the teachings of the Church.
5. (If Married) I was married according to the laws of the Catholic Church regarding marriage and am presently living in a valid Marriage. (Persons who are divorced but not remarried outside the Church and not living with someone outside of marriage are eligible.)

DECLARATION OF GODPARENT/SPONSOR

I, _____, affirm that in all sincerity the above requirements are truly fulfilled. I recognize that during the Sacramental ceremony I will be called upon to renew the promises of my own Baptism; to reject sin and profess my faith in Jesus Christ. I also recognize that this requires that I truly practice my faith by attending Sunday Mass, by prayer, generous concern for others and by living an upright life under the mercy of God. I promise to be the best possible example to _____ in word and deed.

Signature of Applicant/Date: _____

Signature of Priest/Date: _____

(Church Seal)