

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School ~ 2011-2012 Sacrament Registration

2nd Grade Administrative Fee ~ \$25.00

8th Grade Administrative Fee ~ \$50.00

For 2nd and 8th graders - copy of Baptismal Certificate is required

**If members of another parish, please attach a letter of permission from your pastor giving permission for your child to receive their sacrament with St. Francis of Assisi*

Student Info

Last Name: _____

Today's Date: _____

First Name: _____

Age (as of 9/30/11): _____

Middle: _____

Grade entering Fall 2011: _____

Suffix: _____

Birth Date: _____

Gender: _____

Birth Place: _____

Birth Father (First/Middle/Last):

Birth Mother (First/Middle/Maiden):

Birth Father's Religion: _____

Birth Mother's Religion: _____

Family Info

Father/Guardian/StepFather (circle one) : _____

Mother/Guardian/StepMother (circle one) : _____

Last Name: _____

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

First Name: _____

Work Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone: _____

* **EMAIL:** _____

* **Please use BEST email address that is monitored often.**

Marital Status: Married ___ Separated ___ Divorced ___

Student Resides with: Both Parents ___ Mother ___ Father ___ Guardian ___

Parish Where Registered: _____

Family Members in Journey to Catholicism (JTC)? Yes ___ No ___

If Yes, Name and Relationship _____

Grade level of Religious Education student has completed (Circle Each):

3 yr 4 yr 5K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

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SACRAMENTS RECEIVED:

Baptism Baptismal Name : _____
Date: _____
Performed by: _____
Church Name: _____
Church Address: _____

1st Communion Date: _____
Performed by: _____
Church Name: _____
Church Address: _____

Confirmation Date: _____
Performed by: _____
Church Name: _____
Church Address: _____

2nd and 8th Grade ONLY I desire that my child receive the Sacrament(s) of Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation with the parish of St. Francis of Assisi. I will adhere to the norms and requirements of both my child and myself that are necessary for the reception of this sacrament. *Copy of Baptismal Certificate is required (if baptized).

Sacrament(s) being Received: _____

Does Student have any serious or chronic medical condition? Yes ____ No ____
If yes, please explain specifically: _____
Is Student taking any medications? If yes, please list: _____

I authorize the St. Francis Staff to summon emergency medical treatment in the event my child becomes seriously ill or injured, and I further release St. Francis Staff and the Diocese of Memphis from any and all liability and waive any claims against them in regard to any accident or injury by participation in any activities of a St. Francis of Assisi program.

Office Use:

Date Paid:

Check #:

Amount:

Signature of Parent/Guardian:

Date: _____

St. Francis of Assisi ~ Confirmation

Congratulations, you have a child being Confirmed this year!

Please read the following important information and mark the dates on your calendar.

Candidate Requirements

According to Sacramental Norms of the Diocese of Memphis and guidelines of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, the following are required of Candidates for Confirmation:

- **Grade Requirement** - Be in eighth grade or 14 years of age (or above) and express a desire for Confirmation.
- **Registration**
 - Complete the Sacrament Registration Form requesting Confirmation
 - Certificate of Baptism - A copy of the child's baptism certificate is required with registration (even if your child was baptized at St. Francis).
 - SFA Parish Registration Required - If a family is not registered in St. Francis of Assisi Parish, but are registered members of another parish, you must provide a letter from your pastor stating that your child has permission to be confirmed with St. Francis of Assisi Parish.
 - Administrative Fee - \$50 payable at Registration
- **Religious Education Classes** – Child must be attending a Catholic school or be enrolled in Parish Religious Education classes for at least the year prior to the sacramental year.
- **Mass Attendance** – All children and young adults are expected to attend Sunday Mass on a weekly basis in order to connect religious education, sacramental preparation and prayer, to the Liturgy of the Mass. **NOTE:** Competitive sports leagues require many of our students to be out of town on the weekend. It is not acceptable for any student to omit Mass attendance due to a ball game. (Coaches should be informed of this issue well in advance.) It is the responsibility of parents to check www.masstimes.org or call (410)676-6000 for churches and Mass times when traveling. Please make God part of your travel plans.
- **Confirmation Retreat** – A Confirmation retreat is required by the Diocese of Memphis for those who wish to be Confirmed. Our retreat is held on a Saturday at St. Francis Church. *(See calendar for date)*

Important Note: This Retreat is absolutely mandatory. Should a candidate for Confirmation not attend the Retreat, he/she cannot be Confirmed. Young adults in competitive sports leagues may experience a conflict between an out of town trip and the Retreat. The family should find this out as soon as possible and notify Terry Harvey, Director of Religious Education, at the Church office at 901-756-1213, so arrangements can be made to attend a Confirmation Retreat. Also, the student must be present for the entire Retreat. Partial attendance will not fulfill the Diocesan requirements.

- **Eucharistic Adoration Hours** - Students are to participate in at least 8 hours of Eucharistic Adoration during the year. This may be done anywhere that Eucharistic Adoration is held or in front of the Tabernacle in any Catholic church or chapel. A form will be provided by their Religion Teacher to keep track of the hours and due dates. *NOTE: First Friday Adoration is held every month at St. Francis of Assisi Church in the Chapel following 8:15 a.m. Mass, with Benediction at 5:30 p.m.*
- **Letter to the Bishop** - Confirmandi must write a letter to Bishop Terry Steib requesting Confirmation. This letter is to be the work of the Confirmandi, always in their own words, about their spiritual relationship with God. The due date will be given by their Religion Teacher.
- **Parent Sacrament Meetings** - The Diocese of Memphis requires parents to attend two parent meetings on Confirmation. Meetings are held at St. Francis Church in Room 108 of the Parish Life Center and parents have a choice of meeting dates. (*See calendar for dates*) Child care is provided for all parent meetings. **EXEMPTIONS:** If you have attended meetings for an older child within the last two years, you are exempt – **BUT YOU MUST NOTIFY THE CHURCH OFFICE IN WRITING** with your older child’s name and the date of the sacrament. You may submit this via email at donna.hofer@sfachurch.cdom.org or mail to the Church.
- **Reconciliation** – Confirmandi are encouraged to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly, preferably with their families, especially during the liturgical seasons of Advent and Lent.
- **Sponsors and Confirmation Names** - Information on Sponsors and Confirmation names will be given during the eighth grade year of preparation by their Religion Teacher, including the due dates for each.
- **Service Hours** - Students are required to perform 20 hours of service. A form will be provided by their Religion Teacher to keep track of the hours and due dates.
- **Attire for Confirmandi at Confirmation:**
 - Girls:**
 - Simple white dress must be at or near the knee or no longer than at the ankle in length. Low necklines are not appropriate. Dresses that are halter, sleeveless or have spaghetti straps must have a white jacket or sweater worn over them.
 - Appropriate white dress shoes
 - Boys:**
 - Dark Suit or Dark Sport Coat
 - Tan/khaki pants
 - White shirt and Tie
 - Dark socks and appropriate dress shoes

If you have any difficulties fulfilling any of these requirements please contact TERRY HARVEY, Director of Religious Education, as soon as possible at the Church Office 901-756-1213 to discuss the situation.



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2010 - 2011 Calendar for Confirmation

**The date for Confirmation is set by the Bishop;
it will be announced as soon as it is received.**

November:

5th (Sat) *Parent Meeting – Confirmation 10:00am – 12 Noon
Parish Life Center, Rm. 108

January:

10th (Tue) *Parent Meeting – Confirmation 7:00 – 9:00pm
Parish Life Center, Rm. 108

March:

6th (Tue) *Parent Meeting – Confirmation 10:00am – 12 Noon
Parish Life Center, Rm. 108

31st (Sat) CONFIRMATION RETREAT 10:00am – 4:30 pm
Required for All Confirmation Candidates Parish Life Center
Check-in begins at 9:30am

*Parents are required to attend a total of two meetings on Confirmation.

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Childcare for siblings is provided in the Church Nursery for all Parent Meetings.