

Dear Parents of Confirmation Candidates:

Welcome to the St. Teresa's 2009-10 Confirmation Program! We are delighted that your child is pursuing the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our class will help build on the foundation and grace from the sacraments of Baptism and ongoing reception of Holy Communion.

The Confirmation program is taught by Liz Dixon and Nancy Aquadro, volunteers from the St. Teresa's parish, with the guidance and counsel of Father Stanton and Father John. The format of our program follows the approved resources suggested by the Diocese of Savannah. Your child will receive a Loyola Press *Confirmed in the Spirit* workbook on day one. We also incorporate music, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and pertinent current events/topics into our curriculum. Occasionally, we will enjoy a guest speaker.

There are three main points we focus upon in our program. Our primary goal is to ensure our students are equipped to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and leave class with a solid understanding of the basic **teachings** of the Catholic Church. Secondly, we hope to impart to them a sense of **love of their faith**. And finally, we incorporate hands-on **service opportunities** so our candidates develop an appreciation and desire for ongoing voluntarism. They will be given opportunities to practice virtues, generosity and to share their God-given gifts.

Mark your calendar for these important dates. Our classes take place each Wednesday from 6:30PM – 8:00 PM. We have tried to engage all school calendars and will not hold classes on any school holidays. Please check the Bulletin and parish website www.stteresachurch.org for our calendar. **Your child's first class is 9-23-09.**

There will be plenty of opportunities for parents and sponsors to volunteer your time and talents with our class, and we encourage your participation. In order to do this, there is a **Diocesan-required Virtus training** that will be available for those wishing to join us for classes, retreats, etc. Call 439-2302 or go to www.virtus.org to register for the training class **9AM -12:15 PM on Sept. 19th** in the Parish Conference room.

Parents, please join us on Sept. 30 in the Parish Conference Room (across the hall from the Parish Activity Center) for an informational session that will give you a chance to get to know a little more about your instructors and our program we have planned.

Confirmation Team 2009-10
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