

Application Form for Confirmation Candidate
HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH



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The candidate must complete this form

Please write clearly in BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS.

Name of Candidate:

Gender: M/F **Date of Birth:**

Address:

Candidate mobile:

email:

Place and Date of Baptism:

Present School and Form Candidate must be in year 9

I conscious of the work of the Holy Spirit in my life, wish to apply for enrolment in the Confirmation programme.

Signature of Candidate:

Parents' Name and religion:

Parent's mobile 1:

email:

Parent's mobile 2:

email:

Sponsor's Details:

Your Sponsor must be a practising Catholic and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Evidence MUST be submitted with this application [i.e. a copy of their Confirmation certificate or a letter from their parish priest]. Please note, they must be over the age of 18. If possible, invite your Baptism sponsor to be your Confirmation sponsor.

STUDENT REFLECTION: Please answer the following questions in a one-page (or more) reflection letter. Please attach the letter to this form. Please be honest; there is no perfect answer.

Option 1) What type of Christian do you envision being in the future?

Option 2) What steps do you need to take to get closer to God?

PARENT/GUARDIAN REFLECTION: Please answer the following questions in a one-page (or more) reflection letter. Please attach the letter to this form. Please be honest; there is no perfect answer.

Option 1) How have you shared with your teen the importance of this sacrament?

Option 2) What is the hope or vision you have for your child after he or she receives this sacrament?

Please Note:

- A certificate of baptism **must be** provided with this form if you were not baptised at Holy Cross.
- Please enclose £20 or more with this application. This is to give you resource materials, to make a pilgrimage [coach trip] and other expenses. The parish will meet any additional expenses.
- The Confirmation Programme 2021-22 is attached herewith. Should you miss more than one session, you will have to defer your Confirmation to next year.

SPONSOR INFORMATION



Name of Confirmation Sponsor: _____

Name of the candidate being sponsored: _____

What is your relationship to this candidate? _____

Are you the Baptism Sponsor for this candidate? YES/NO

Have you received all three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist?	
If married, are you married in the Catholic Church? If single, are you attempting to live according to the moral teachings of the Church (not living with anyone outside of marriage)?	
Are you a practicing Catholic, regularly attending Sunday Mass and receiving the Holy Eucharist?	
If not Holy Cross, in which parish are you registered and active?	
Are you attempting to live in conformity with the teachings of Jesus Christ and the Church and witnessing to your faith in your daily life?	
Do you understand and accept the responsibility of being a sponsor for the confirmation candidate named above, supporting him/her by your prayer and example in living the Catholic faith?	

Signature of Sponsor:

Date:

LETTER FROM FR ANTONY

Dear Confirmation Candidate

On behalf of the Confirmation team thank you for applying to join our 2021 Confirmation Preparation Programme at Holy Cross.

*The *Youcat*, the Young People's Catechism of the Catholic Church, states that Confirmation "is like Baptism and the Eucharist. It is one of the three sacraments of initiation of the Catholic Church. As the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples who were gathered at Pentecost, so the Holy Spirit comes to every baptised person for whom the Church requests the gift of the Holy Spirit. It secures and strengthens them to be a living witness to Christ."*

The time of preparation is an opportunity for you to explore your faith and deepen your commitment to Jesus Christ. It is a time for choices and you can withdraw from the programme at any time if you think this is not right for you at the moment.

This year, there will be a big number of catechists involved in your formation and I will try to be with you in all sessions. Each session will begin at 4.30pm in Hartley Hall on Saturdays. For the first half an hour you will have some time to socialise and to have some fun with ice breaker games. The main session will be from 5-6pm, during which time the catechists will cover the Confirmation programme. From 6.00 to 6.30pm, you will be preparing for the Mass as you will be asked to take up some responsibilities in the Mass.

We look forward to welcoming you on the programme.

Fr Antony