

St. Vincent Confirmation & Youth Ministry 2010-11



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35 Liberty Street, Petaluma, CA 94952

Class Times: 10:30-11:30

Another Year, Another Time...

Welcome to the Confirmation program for Catholics who have already been baptized and received Holy Communion. Preparation begins at the start of your freshmen year in high school. In order to be confirmed, a candidate must be ready to follow these guidelines:

- register with the parish.
- You will need a copy of your Baptismal Certificate.
- attend an orientation meeting on Sept. 19, with parents.
- attend classes and Mass.
- participate in two retreats; a three hour retreat, on 9/26, 9:00-12:00 and a weekend retreat from 2/28-30.
- Choose a sponsor who is a confirmed practicing Catholic and is at least 17 years old.
- Choose and research a Saint for your confirmation name.
- Volunteer at our Masses: sing with the choir, read, serve, serve coffee/donuts, usher...
- Second year students can enroll in our leadership training on 9/12.
- Read the book "Living Your Strengths" and take an online talent assessment from the Gallup's Clifton Strengths Finder.
- Meet with a priest or youth minister to determine readiness.

Any candidate who fulfills these guidelines and misses no more than 3 classes may be considered for confirmation in April or May of 2011

The Curriculum:

Our U.S. Bishops understand the importance of each of us coming to know ourselves powerfully as the persons God has created us to be. "Unless people know the grandeur for which they are made, they cannot reach fulfillment and their lives will be incomplete. Nor will they know that they are called into interpersonal union with God and with each other."

To Register: Materials can be found on our church website:
<http://www.svdpch.org/youth.php>
Download, print and return them with baptismal certificate & payment.

Masses: The 5:00 p.m. Mass has been discontinued but we will have a youth centered Mass at 10:30 once a month.

Our reasons for a one year program: As people discover and develop their talents, they find a new and powerful sense of purpose in their lives. We also believe both parents and teens will be more engaged with each other, and more involved within the church. This is an exciting proposition.

Put the Word out: Please invite others to join us at the parent/teen orientation, Sept. 19 @ 10:30a.m. in the Parish Hall.

Questions?: Please don't hesitate to call me if I can be of service to you.

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Sept	12	Leadership Training
	19	Orientation
	26	Retreat 9:00-12:00 Tillman Hall, SVHS
Oct.	3	Class
	10	Class
	17	Class
	24	Class
	31	Mass
Nov.	7	Class
	14	Class
	21	Mass
Dec.	5	Class
	12	Mass
Jan.	9	Class
	23	Class
	28-30	Retreat at Alliance Redwoods
	30	Ending with 10:30 Mass at St. Vincent's Church
Feb.	6	Class
	27	Mass
Mar	6	Class
	13	Class
	27	Mass
April	3	Class
	10	Class
	17	Mass
	24	Easter

What if this is my second year in the program?

You will also be discovering your gifts and talents this year. If you wish, you have the opportunity to become trained and involved as a leader by attending a Training taking place Sept. 12 @ 10:30 in the Parish Hall. Service hours can be earned by doing this, too.