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The word 'Christ' means anointed, which is why we are called Christians.

It's the anointing we receive in the Sacrament of Confirmation that makes us fully Christian.

The Sacrament of Confirmation completes our Baptism..... If we are not Confirmed, we are incomplete.

With the Sacrament of Confirmation we become full members of the Catholic Church.

Please think very carefully about whether your child is ready to begin this preparation and if you are ready and able to support them. Without your support they will not be able to prepare properly.

Receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation is a serious undertaking and preparing for it will require effort and commitment.

If you feel the time is right, please do complete the attached form and return it to me.

Our first session will be on Saturday 11th September at 12 noon.

I look forward very much to the months ahead as we work together to prepare these young people to take the next steps into a deeper relationship with God.

Requirements

What is required before enrolling on the preparation session?

In order to enrol your child they will need:

- To have already received the Sacrament of Baptism.
- To have received their First Holy Communion.
- To be at least 14 years old on the day of their Confirmation.
- To be practising their faith already.

What does it mean to be 'practising' their faith?

Your child should be attending Mass each Sunday and frequenting the sacrament of Confession.

What if only one parent is Catholic?

Whilst it would be great for both parents to attend Mass together, there is no obligation on the non-Catholic parent at all.

Preparation course:

The Confirmation preparation programme is an essential requirement, and your child will have to attend the sessions in order for them to be able to be Confirmed.

Please note: The Confirmation Mass takes place at St John's Cathedral in Portsmouth during the weeks of Eastertide. The date of the Confirmation will be set by Bishop Philip nearer the time.

APPLICATION FORM
Name of the child:
Date of birth:/ Which Mass do you usually attend?
Mother's Name:
Place of Mother's Baptism:
Father's name:
Place of Father's Baptism:
Contact address:
Email:
Telephone:
I have read the requirements and I agree to abide by them:
Signed: Date:/