



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION HOMILY REFLECTION GUIDELINES

One of the responsibilities of students preparing to be confirmed is that they embrace the sacramental life of the Catholic Church. To that end, we are providing homily/Mass reflection forms to turn in for the remainder of the year. We ask you to attend Mass and write a reflection on the priest's or deacon's homily for that particular day. While you should be attending Sunday Mass each week, we are asking that you submit at least 3 homily reflections before the third week of February 2018.

Please use the following format for your Homily Reflections:

- Homily reflection can be from any **weekend** Mass, which you attend at a Catholic Church. (Homily reflections **cannot** be submitted for a funeral, a wedding, or a Mass celebrated during the Religious Education faith session or St. George School day).
- The reflection is to be written on the form provided by the RE Office; please use the forms that accompany this sheet. (If you need additional forms, please contact the Religious Ed office.)
- Please try to use your best handwriting and correct spelling as you work on your reflection.
- Be sure to fill in all the information requested:
 1. Your Name.
 2. Catechist/Teacher Name.
 3. Date of Mass attended, and Time of Mass.
 4. Church Attended (the name of the Catholic Church where you attended Mass on that particular weekend).
 5. Name of Priest or Deacon (make sure to list the name of the priest or deacon giving the homily. If you attend Mass at another Catholic Church other than St. George and do not know the name of the priest or deacon giving the homily, give the name of the Pastor of the Parish where you attended Mass).
- Please spell the name of the priests or deacons of our parish correctly; their names are found in our weekly church bulletin. (HINT: Get to know our parish priests and deacons; they will be a good resource for you in coming years.)
- While we encourage you to delve into your Bible and read the scriptures of the day, we ask that you reflect on something that touched you specifically at Mass. Please do not simply write a scripture summary. Yes, if there was a different part of Mass that struck you one week or if there was a guest speaker, please feel free to include that in your reflection. God does and will speak to each one of us in a different way; your experience at Mass may be very different from the person sitting right next to you! Get into the habit of talking with your family about what touched you at Mass; share your experiences. This is one way to help your faith (relationship with God) come to life. Homily Reflections are to be turned in to your catechist/teacher on a regular basis; they will forward them to the RE office. These Homily Reflections are a valuable part of your preparation for Confirmation.