

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish

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Invitation to join the Confirmation Program 2023

27th June 2023

Dear Parents,

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered to those who are eligible to receive this Sacrament on **Saturday 28th October at 6pm. Confirmation will be celebrated by Bishop Terry Brady.**

Attached to this letter is an application form that must be returned to the Parish Office by **Friday 11th August**, along with \$40 which covers the program booklet, all materials and professional photography and videography at the Confirmation Mass.

There will be a **Parent Information Evening** held on **Wednesday evening 23rd August 2023 at 6:30PM** in the Parish Hall. **All candidates for Confirmation and at least one parent is required to attend this meeting. Attendance will be taken.**

To be eligible to receive Confirmation all candidates must have been Baptised and have received the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Please attach a copy of their Baptism and First Holy Communion Certificate with the application form.

On the other side of this letter are all the dates that will be important for you in the preparation of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Being present at all the preparation lessons and activities leading to the reception of the Sacrament is very important.

I wish you many blessings as you begin the preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation with your child.

With my prayers and warm regards,



Fr Bob Bossini
Parish Administrator

Important Dates for the Program for the Sacrament of Confirmation 2023

1. FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST – last day that enrolment forms can be handed into the Parish office.
2. WEDNESDAY 23RD AUGUST 2023 Parent/Candidate Information Evening 6:30pm (in the Parish Hall).
3. SATURDAY/SUNDAY 26TH/27TH AUGUST - presentation of all candidates in parish masses (6pm Saturday and 9am Sunday masses).
4. **All preparation class times are to be confirmed depending on preferences, the number of candidates and their ages. You must attend your one session weekly on either Wednesdays or Sundays.**

Session 1	–	27 th <u>or</u> 30 th August
Session 2	–	3 rd <u>or</u> 6 th September
Session 3	–	10 th <u>or</u> 13 th September
Session 4	–	17 th <u>or</u> 20 th September
Session 5	–	8 th <u>or</u> 11 th October
Session 6	–	15 th <u>or</u> 18 th October

5. WEDNESDAY 25TH OCTOBER – Ceremony rehearsal in OLR Church.
6. THURSDAY 26TH OCTOBER – Retreat Day **9am-3pm** for Confirmation Candidates

SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER at 6pm Confirmation celebrated by Bishop Terry Brady.

Important information concerning all these dates will be given at the Parent Information Evening held on Wednesday 23rd August 2022 at 6:30PM

If you wish your child to receive their Confirmation in 2023, you must attend all the events mentioned above. Attendance will be taken at all sessions. All sessions are compulsory for your child to attend. Please contact Simone at the Parish Office if you have any questions: sacramental@olrfairfield.org.au 0432 437 552

How to pay the \$40 registration fee:

Cash Option: Visit the Parish Office and deposit money.	EFT Option: Scan QR Code and fill out details on site. Select Biller Code: 1703784 – Sacramental Programs Name of Sacrament – Confirmation Once paid, you must print out or email a valid receipt to the Parish Office for verification.
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Our Lady of the Rosary Confirmation Program Enrolment Form 2023

(Only those in Year 6 or older are eligible who have been Baptised and received First Holy Communion)

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY – ALL FIELDS ARE COMPULSORY AND MUST BE COMPLETED

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Middle name: _____ Circle one: Male Female

School attending at present: _____ Grade: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Home address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile No: _____

Email: _____

Father's Full Name: _____ Religion: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____ Religion: _____

1. Child's date of Baptism: ____ / ____ / ____ (DD/MM/YYYY)

Name of Parish and place of Baptism (Attach copy of certificate): _____

2. Child's date of Holy Communion: ____ / ____ / ____ (DD/MM/YYYY)

Place of Holy Communion (Attach copy of certificate): _____

Please indicate your 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th choice for the preparation session times. Write "1", "2", "3" or "4" in the boxes. There is NO GUARANTEE you will get your first preference – so please fill in all available times. Classes may be arranged by age and not all times may be available, depending on enrolment numbers and teacher availability.

Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm ☐

Wednesday 5-6pm ☐

Wednesday 6:15-7:15pm ☐

Sunday 10:30-11:30am ☐

This form must be returned to the Parish Office on or before Friday 11th August together with a \$40.00 fee which covers books, materials, photography and videography at the Mass. For organisational purposes we need to have applications in by this date. Except for exceptional circumstances applications may not be considered after this date.

*The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered on **Saturday 28th October at 6pm.***

Office use only:

Original Certificates sighted Not Applicable/ Yes/ No

Date received: _____ Receipt No. _____ Fee paid: _____

CONFIRMATION RETREAT DAY & CONFIRMATION MASS

Before Confirmation the candidates will participate in a whole-day retreat day (Thursday 26th October 9am-3pm). On this day the children will wear mufti (casual dress, no school uniform) and the day will include a catered lunch and snacks. Please fill out the following information for your child.

Does your child have any allergies or special dietary needs? Circle: YES / NO

**If yes, please
specify:** _____

Does your child have a medical condition that would impede their participation in any part of the retreat day, or which we need to be made aware of for their safety?

Circle: YES / NO

**If yes, please
specify:** _____

The celebration of Confirmation takes place within the Vigil Mass on Saturday 28th October. There are several roles that the children can volunteer for in the celebration of Mass. IF your child would like to volunteer, please fill out the following information for your child. Every effort is made to give all interested children a role, but roles are limited in number.

Does your child wish to help in the celebration of the Confirmation Mass?

Circle YES / NO

If yes, please tick the roles they would like to volunteer for:

READER ☐

GOSPEL/OFFERTORY PROCESSION ☐

LAMP/CANDLE BEARER ☐

Confirmation Retreat Day Permission Form

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child is invited to participate in the Confirmation Retreat Day at **Our Lady of the Rosary Fairfield on Thursday 26th October 2023**. This activity will take place under the guidance and supervision of the Sacramental Program Team and teachers of Our Lady of the Rosary School, at Our Lady of the Rosary Church and Parish Hall and in the grounds of Our Lady of the Rosary School. Children who attend OLR School need to be marked as present at school as usual. Children from other schools need to be signed in by a parent/guardian at 8:55am and signed out at 3pm.

If you would like your child to participate in this event, please complete and return the following statement of consent and release of liability.

My child(ren) has (have) my permission to participate in the Confirmation retreat day on Thursday 26th October, 2023. I understand that this event will take place at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, and that my children will be under the supervision of the Sacramental Program team and teachers of Our Lady of the Rosary School on the stated date.

As parent or legal guardian, I remain fully responsible for any legal responsibility that may result from any personal actions taken by my child(ren) above.

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(Parent's Printed Name)

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(Parent's Signature)

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Date

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Phone

CONSENT TO FILM AND PHOTOGRAPH A CHILD (*General*)

Child Name: _____ Age _____ (Child)

I _____ (parent/guardian) agree to the following:

- my Child may be filmed and photographed when attending events or activities conducted by or in connection with the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney (**CAS**);
- my Child's name and age as well as the audio and visual recordings of my Child (**Recordings**) may be reproduced and communicated by or on behalf of CAS in connection with CAS and the broader Catholic community in any media;
- all intellectual property rights, including copyright, in the Recordings are owned by CAS (or its representatives) and any intellectual property rights that I/my Child may have in the Recordings are fully assigned to CAS; and
- CAS may collect my/my Child's personal information to promote the activities of CAS and disclose that information to its authorised nominees for that same purpose. The privacy policy available at <http://www.sydneycatholic.org/others/privacy.shtml> provides information about how to access and seek correction of personal information, how to complain about a breach of Australian privacy laws, and how complaints are dealt with.

Signature of Parent / Guardian

Date