



## Dear Parents/Guardians,

I write to you as our parish begins to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming year. The home, the school and the parish have a vital role to play in the faith formation of your child. You presented your child for Baptism. On that day your child was welcomed into the faith community and the life of grace. The Rite of Baptism emphasises how parents are the first teachers of their child in the ways of faith. A child's faith grows where there is an atmosphere of faith expressed in prayer and good works.



Confirmation will be another very important event in the journey of faith of your child. In Baptism your child was welcomed into the Christian community. With First Eucharist your child came to know Jesus in a new way. Confirmation confirms your child's Baptism and is a new moment of commitment. Your child will be enriched with the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit and will be further challenged to be a witness of Christ by word and deed.

As a sign that you are willing to participate in your child's preparation for Confirmation, I invite you to make a declaration of your commitment and your desire to have your child confirmed in our parish. You are invited to attend the Confirmation enrolment ceremony which will take place shortly. In preparation for that enrolment ceremony, I invite you to talk to your child about Confirmation. I thank you for the support and encouragement which you are giving as your child prepares for the celebration of the Sacrament.

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I wish to present my child \_\_\_\_\_ as a candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming year. In so doing I will continue to support my child's faith and will participate in the parish programme of preparation for the Sacrament.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

