

ADULT CONFIRMATION



Did you know that many adults have never been confirmed?

Unfortunately, it is not unusual for Catholics to reach adulthood without receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you or someone you know has never been confirmed, we invite you to consider RCIA as preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Spiritually, what does confirmation do?

Confirmation brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace:

- it roots us more deeply in the divine filiation which makes us cry, "Abba! Father!" (Romans 8:15);
- it unites us more firmly to Christ;
- it increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us;
- it renders our bond with the Church more perfect;
- it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and to never be ashamed of the Cross.

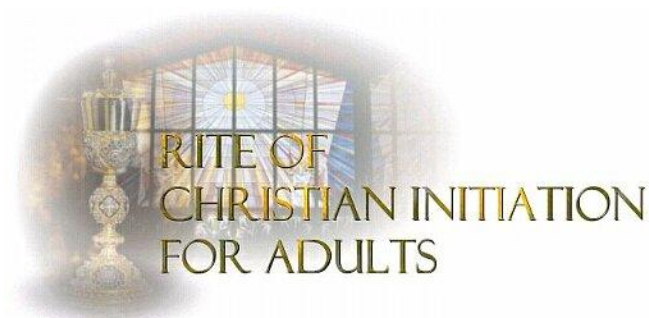
Pragmatically, why else should I be confirmed as an adult?

- To gain a firmer knowledge of the teachings of the Catholic Church;
- To give your marriage its best chance of fulfilling its purpose of the mutual holiness of spouses;
- To be able to pass on to your children the entire richness and depth of the Catholic faith;
- To be able to serve as a Baptismal Godparent or Confirmation Sponsor;
- To be able to serve as a Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Minister).

Catholics who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation as adults report that it enlivened their spiritual lives far more than they had ever anticipated, enriching their faith with the completion of Baptismal graces, a deepening of their relationship with Christ and a fuller understating of Church teaching. Adult Confirmands participate in the RCIA process by attending classes and retreats and will be confirmed in the Spring. There is no cost, only the commitment of your time.

If not now, then when?

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RCIA INQUIRY NIGHT
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST 6:30PM,
CHURCH HALL

... CONSIDER IT.