

“Be Sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit”

February 8, 2010

Dear Candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation,

We welcome you to the St. Joan of Arc Confirmation process. The Sacrament of Confirmation completes the action that was begun in baptism with the gift of the Holy Spirit.....**BUT IT DOES NOT**.....complete our journey of faith.

Confirmation gives us the opportunity to say **“YES”** to be a fully functioning member of the Body of Christ, the Church.

There are expectations for you, the candidate. You need to read and reflect on these expectations in order for you to truly begin the process in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation:

- Enter the journey with a willing heart and an open mind.
- Commit oneself to consistent personal prayer throughout the journey.
- Commit oneself to attending Mass and celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Continuing your Life Long Faith Journey.....beyond Confirmation.

During the process, you will be asked to choose a sponsor. The sponsor must be a practicing Catholic, one who models the commitment to personal prayer, community worship and the gospel message. If married, the marriage must be in accordance with the laws of the Church.

Our prayers are with you as you continue your journey...

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Gabriel Baltes, O.S.B.
Pastor

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