

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Registration meeting for Parents
(*These meetings are for parents only*)

Attend one of these meetings.

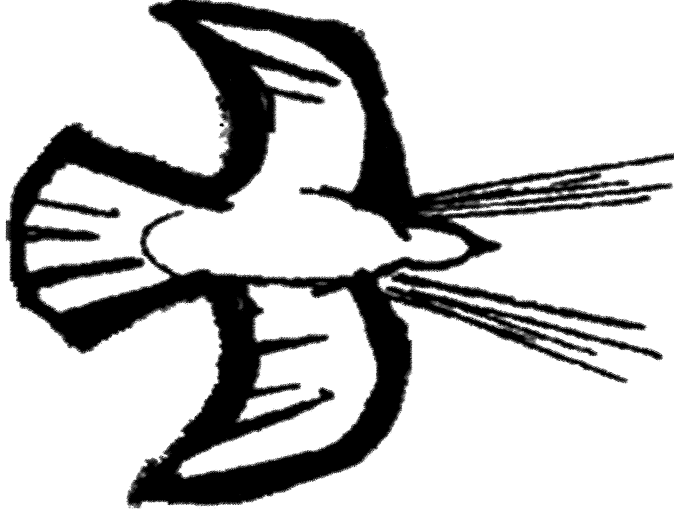
Tues	Sept. 06, 2016	7 pm
Wed	Sept 07, 2016	7 pm
Thurs	Sept 08, 2016	7 pm
Sat	Sept 10, 2016	10 am

What you need to bring to the Registration meeting: **This meeting is for parents only**

- ❖ Baptism certificate of the candidate with the complete mailing address of the church of Baptism. (If not in English the complete certificate must be translated into English).
- ❖ And yes, even if the candidate was Baptized at St. Thomas More, we still need you to bring a copy of the candidate's Baptism certificate.
- ❖ Name of candidate's sponsor.
- ❖ Proof of the sponsor's Baptism and Confirmation.
- ❖ \$30 for materials

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Sunday, November 13, 2016
Pre-register by June 30/16



“Called by God”

Confirmation Decision Point

Sessions

Candidates are expected to attend all of the Decision sessions but a minimum of **four are mandatory**. The **Saturday retreat is also mandatory** in order to be confirmed. The blue Decision Point books must also be brought to every session.

Tues	Sept. 13, 2016	6:30 - 8:30 pm
Mon	Sept. 19, 2016,	6:30 - 8:30 pm
Tues	Sept. 27, 2016,	6:30 - 8:30 pm
Mon	Oct. 03, 2016,	6:30 - 8:30 pm
Tues	Oct. 11, 2016,	6:30 - 8:30 pm
Mon	Oct. 17, 2016,	6:30 - 8:30 pm
Tues	Oct. 25, 2016,	6:30 - 8:30 pm
Wed	Nov. 02, 2016,	6:30 - 8:30 pm

Assignments Deadline

Sat. October 29-30, 2016

Confirmation Retreat

Sat. November 05, 2016 10 am – 1:30 pm
(*The retreat will begin with the confirmation rehearsal, sponsors or a responsible adult should attend if possible.*)

Confirmation Mass

Sun. November 13, 2016
3pm and 6pm

St. Thomas More Parish
210 Haddow Close
Edmonton, Alberta T6R 2P3

Tel. 780-434-6313
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Confirmation Candidate

Information Form

(Please Print Clearly)

Legal Surname / Given Name / Middle Name

Birth Date dd/mm/yyyy Birth Place

Grade in Sept 2016 School attending in Sept 2016

Has child celebrated 1st Communion? Yes No

Has child celebrated 1st Reconciliation? Yes No

Parent / Guardian Information (Please Print Clearly)

Father's Surname, Given Name

Mother's Maiden Name, Given Name

Home Address

Street

City, Province Postal Code

Phone Number

email Address

**Return the above form to St. Thomas
More Parish office by June 30, 2016.
(Drop off / mail in / fax to 780-438-2088).**

**Keep the remaining portion of this
brochure as a reference for meeting
dates, etc.**

What You Need to Know...

Who may be Confirmed?

Any person baptized in the Roman Catholic Church who has not yet been Confirmed may celebrate this sacrament. At St. Thomas More, this sacrament is celebrated for youth in Grade 7 and older. Candidates (those to be confirmed) must go through the confirmation preparation, be properly disposed to receive the sacrament and be able to renew their baptismal promises.

Children Baptized in an Eastern Catholic Church were likely Confirmed at the time of Baptism and remain members of the Eastern Catholic Church. The Sacrament of Confirmation is not repeated.

What will be required in order to be confirmed? There is a 4-step process:

1. Parents **must attend one** "Parents Only" Information meeting on Sept 06 (7 pm) or Sept 07 (7 pm) or Sept 08 (7 pm) or Sept 10 (10 am), 2016. You **must** bring a copy of the Baptismal certificate of the person to be Confirmed and the \$30.00 fee that will be collected for materials.
2. The Candidates **must attend at least four** of the Decision Point Sessions on the following dates at 7 pm: Sept 13, Sept. 19, Sept. 27, Oct. 03, Oct. 11, Oct. 17, Oct. 25 & Nov. 2, 2016.
3. The Candidates **must** prepare for their confirmation by completing assignments and service projects which will be assigned during the preparation or emailed directly to candidate's parents.
COMPLETION DEADLINE: October 29, weekend, 2016.
4. The Candidates **must** attend the retreat held on Saturday, November 05, 2016.

The parent meeting, the Decision Point sessions, and the retreat are all held at St. Thomas More Church in the Parish hall.

What if the candidate has not received 1st Reconciliation or 1st Holy Communion?

The candidate **must** attend classes (held in the Fall) for these two sacraments before he or she can be Confirmed.

Is there paperwork for Confirmation? Yes!

The candidate **must** have a valid Roman Catholic baptism certificate. A copy of the certificate **must** be given to us at the parent information meeting. The address of the church where the baptism took place must be provided.

If this certificate is not written in English, a translation to English must be provided. (And yes, if the candidate was baptized at St. Thomas More, we still need a copy of their certificate).

Who can be a sponsor? Each candidate for Confirmation **must** be accompanied by one sponsor. One godparent from baptism is encouraged to serve as the sponsor. The sponsor **must** be a practicing Roman Catholic who is sixteen years old or older. He or she **must** have received 1st Eucharist and been Confirmed. Parents cannot sponsor their own children. Proof of the Sponsor's Catholic Baptism and Confirmation is required. A sponsor is to be a role model of Catholic Christian living and for this reason, **must** be living the life of faith within the Roman Catholic Church. The sponsor's name **must** be provided at the parent information meeting.

Is there special clothing for Candidates?

Candidates should dress formally. Jeans and sneakers are not considered appropriate dress.

Do candidates choose a Confirmation name?

No. This is no longer a practice.

When is Confirmation celebrated?

Sunday November 13, 2016
Mass times: 3pm & 6 pm