



## CENTER FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION & FORMATION

SAINT THOMAS SEMINARY - ARCHDIOCESE of HARTFORD

### Adult Confirmation Frequently Asked Questions

#### What is Required to Be Eligible for Adult Confirmation?

- ✓ Be at least 18 years of age
- ✓ Have been baptized in the Roman Catholic Church
- ✓ Have received the sacrament of First Holy Communion
- ✓ Can provide sacramental records or other suitable proof of having received those sacraments
- ✓ If married, must be in a valid Catholic marriage, or have resolved all questions of sacramental marriage

#### If The Above Requirements Are Met, How Can One Be Prepared for Confirmation?

The first call should be to one's own parish. They are the first point of contact, and many either run their own classes or are preparing to do so.

If a parish is not offering *Adult Confirmation* classes, a list of the parishes who are doing so is available on the website of The Center for Catholic Education and Formation (*The Center*) at: [www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org](http://www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org). The contact information to register for those classes is listed on the website, as well.

The Center coordinates the Adult Confirmation ceremonies in the fall and in the spring, but does not offer classes outside of parishes. However, assistance in finding appropriate preparation is offered by The Center – please call 860-242-5573.

#### What Are the Necessary Documents In Order to Be Confirmed?

- ✓ Completed ceremony registration form – signed by pastor and catechist
- ✓ Sacramental records – baptismal certificate and certificate of first communion, or other suitable proof
- ✓ If married, proof of sacramental marriage/convalidation/resolution to marriage impediments
- ✓ Sponsor form – signed by sponsor

All paperwork should be prepared by the start of Adult Confirmation classes, but definitively by the deadline for ceremony registration – which, for spring 2023 is April 18, 2023.

## **When Is the Next Adult Confirmation Ceremony?**

The *spring 2023 Adult Confirmation ceremony* information is as follows:

***Tuesday, May 9, 2023***

***7:00 p.m.***

***Cathedral of Saint Joseph***

***140 Farmington Avenue, Hartford***

Those being confirmed, as well as their sponsors, should arrive no later than 6:15 p.m. for a brief rehearsal.

The ceremony is open to all family, friends, and members of the community.

## **How Can Someone Acquire Their Confirmation Certificate?**

Original certificates of Confirmation will be distributed at the conclusion of the Confirmation ceremony. Additional copies can be requested from the parish at which the sacrament is recorded. Please allow 2 weeks after the ceremony for information to be recorded.

If you are seeking additional certificates from a past Adult Confirmation ceremony, please contact The Center at 860-242-5573. Please be prepared with the year and season (fall or spring) of your Confirmation.



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