

# St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

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## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

### APPLICATION TO JOIN THE PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2024

*Please write very clearly*

**Applicants First Names in full:**

**Surname / Family name:**

Date of Birth:

Date and Place of Baptism:

Date and Place of First Holy Communion (FHC):

Attendance at Mass: *Weekly Fortnightly Monthly Occasionally (please circle)*

Church attending Mass:

School attending:

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**\*\*\* Please attach a copy of your Baptism and First Holy Communion Certificates  
if you did not receive these sacraments at St Catherine of Siena \*\*\***

**\*\*\*We ask for a donation of £20 to cover the cost of books and materials\*\*\***

**\*\*\*Please write the details below very clearly\*\*\***  
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**Father's (or Guardian's) Name:**

Surname:

Forename:

Religion:

Address:

Postcode:

Tel. numbers: Home:

Work:

Mobile:

E-mail address (clear block capitals):

**Mother's Name:**

Surname:

Forename:

Religion:

Address:

Postcode:

Tel. numbers: Home:

Work:

Mobile:

E-mail address (clear block capitals):

# CANDIDATE'S DECLARATION OF COMMITMENT

## GUIDANCE NOTE

The course will begin in mid/late January 2024 with a view to holding the Confirmation ceremony later in the year when the Bishop is available to come and confer the sacrament, probably in October or November.

The Confirmation sessions will take place at St Catherine of Siena every Friday evening from 6.15 pm to 8 pm, except during holidays and half term.

We take Safeguarding seriously, and we will ensure that there will always be two adult organisers/teachers with full DBS (safeguarding) clearance at each session. Communication with the students will always take place through the parents or designated guardian, unless there are special circumstances, and then special arrangements will be made.

Confirmation is an important step in our journey of faith. The Holy Spirit imparts gifts on us which enable us to form a personal and vibrant relationship with our Lord Jesus. Each individual has to reach their own decision about whether they are ready to make a personal commitment to be a witness to the truth and love of Christ. No one should feel under any pressure to receive the Sacrament, even after attending several months of the course.

A personal commitment is nonetheless crucial, not only to attend as many sessions as possible of the course but also to attend Mass every single Sunday and Holy Days of the year, including the Holy Week Easter services. We would, therefore, be grateful if the candidate could sign this declaration below.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ undertake to prepare myself well to receive the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

I will do my best to:

- attend Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation before and during the preparation programme.
- go to Confession at least twice during the Confirmation programme. (Help and support with this sacrament will be provided for anyone who is out of practice.)
- come to every class of the preparation programme.
- participate in my preparation by reading the course material, doing any homework assignments and gathering the necessary documentation as requested.
- find a practising Catholic to be my sponsor (that means a baptised, confirmed Catholic who goes to Mass every Sunday).
- comply with all health and safety guidelines at church.

If I miss Mass, or a class, without permission and good reason, I accept that I may not be ready to receive the sacraments at the planned time, and may need to do some further preparation.

Signed:

Date: