

CONFIRMATION *Guide*



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WELCOME

*Holy Spirit,
Make my heart open
To the Word of God,
Make my heart open
To goodness,
Make my heart open
To the beauty of God every day.*

— Pope Francis

Welcome, confirmands, parents, and catechists! We, at the Office of Worship are excited as you prepare for the sacrament of confirmation.

This booklet contains information to get started. If you have questions, please contact us. We are happy to help.

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We are looking forward to celebrating this upcoming year's confirmation liturgies with you. Our Archdiocesan Synod last Pentecost reminded us of the importance of calling upon the Holy Spirit for inspiration and direction. Knowing that confirmation releases the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, which make us "docile in readily obeying divine inspirations" (CCC n. 1831), we are excited that so many of our youth and adults will this year be receiving the greater outpouring of the Spirit that comes with this sacrament.

As the Second Vatican Council reminded us, liturgical celebrations "are not private functions, but are celebrations of the Church, which is the 'sacrament of unity,' namely, the holy people united and ordered under the bishops" (*Constitution on the Liturgy*, n. 26). Our hope and prayer is that our archdiocesan celebrations, where the *confirmandi* from your parishes will be gathering with their peers from around our twelve counties, will be living reminders that the Gifts of the Spirit come *through* the Church, and are meant *for* the Church.

You will find in the enclosed packet information about the upcoming confirmation season, indicating the dates and locations for these celebrations. I am confident that the Office of Worship will be able to address any questions you may have. Working with nearly 200 parishes, they do an amazing job juggling requests and expectations, always striving to respect the diversity of languages and cultures that exists in our Archdiocese.

Let us pray that those being confirmed this year will be empowered by the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to become ever more faithful missionary disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. Come Holy Spirit!

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Bernard H. Hebda
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

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PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION NAMES

Confirmands (candidates to be confirmed) are encouraged to follow the tradition of the Church and select a name to be used by the bishop during the sacrament of confirmation. This may be the confirmand's baptismal name or another Christian name, such as a saint, blessed, or someone from the Old Testament. When selecting a name, learn about the significance of the name in the Christian tradition, study the person's virtues, and consider how to emulate them. Confirmands ought to open their hearts to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. As the saying goes, "You don't choose your saint, the saint chooses you."

CONFIRMATION SPONSORS

Every confirmand is to choose one sponsor. Although it is laudable that the confirmation sponsor be the confirmand's baptismal godparent, confirmands may choose a different sponsor. The sponsor can be of either sex, as long as the sponsor fulfills the requirements indicated in Archdiocesan Policy 503.9:

"The sponsor must have completed the sixteenth year of age, unless the pastor or minister has granted an exception for a just cause*, and must be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received first holy Communion and leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on. This means a sponsor may not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared, or be the father or mother of the one to be confirmed (canon 874 §1).

*An example of a 'just cause' for admitting a sponsor under the age of sixteen would be that the sponsor will turn sixteen in a few weeks, and he or she is known to demonstrate an extraordinary piety and level of maturity.

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PAPERWORK

Confirmation update form

About a month before the parish's confirmation, the Office of Worship will ask its confirmation coordinator to complete a Confirmation form via email. This form will ask the number of confirmands, names of attending clergy, which ministry assistance the parish will offer (lectors, EMHCs, servers, greeters/ushers), whether the parish has special needs, etc. When listing clergy, specify whether they will concelebrate or sit in choir. (Do not indicate clergy who are not concelebrating.)

Once each parish replies, the Office of Worship will send a draft assigning which parishes will serve in what capacity. Parishes must then confirm that they can fulfill the assigned ministries. After all the parishes confirm, the Office of Worship will email a final version that will include who will serve in which ministry roles, the seating chart, and scripture readings.

Seating charts

The Office of Worship assigns seats to ensure that confirmands can better see and hear, as well as be seen by, the bishop. Unfortunately, families are no longer able to sit in the same pew as confirmands; this is to enable all confirmands to be closer to the bishop.

Seating charts accommodate each confirmand and one sponsor in the reserved area; this area also admits a few extra seats for the confirmation coordinator and last minute arrivals. Families and friends of the confirmands may sit in non-reserved sections. Seating charts will be emailed to the confirmation coordinator and will be posted within the church. Pages 20-21 give floor plans for the Cathedral of Saint Paul and the Basilica of St. Mary.

Attending clergy

Priests and deacons are encouraged to attend their parish's confirmation. The confirmation coordinator will be asked to submit each clergy member's name; the Office of Worship will assume he will concelebrate unless otherwise notified.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

Concelebrating clergy from outside the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

Concelebrating clergy from outside the Archdiocese (e.g. a family member or friend) must demonstrate suitability in order to partake in a Confirmation Mass. No earlier than six months before the confirmation, the clergy must submit to the chancellor (chancellor@archspm.org):

- A letter of good standing from his own diocese or religious order;
- Details indicating when he will be in this archdiocese and what he plans on doing. (e.g., concelebrate at a Confirmation Mass at the Cathedral on March XX)

Upon approval of the request, the chancellor will send a Letter of Suitability authorization to the visiting clergy, as well as those parishes/institutions where he intends to exercise ministry.

Confirmands should remind family/friend clergy from outside the archdiocese to obtain a Letter of Suitability in a timely manner; last minute requests may not be processed in time.

Current sacramental records

Before being confirmed, it is necessary to verify the confirmand's current sacramental status. This is found in a parish's baptismal register (some parishes call it the sacramental register), which is maintained in the church where the confirmand was baptized. The register also recorded when the confirmand received Reconciliation, First Communion, Matrimony, or other sacraments. Note that it is not necessary to obtain an actual, paper certificate for those confirmands whose sacramental records are maintained in the same parish that is presenting someone for confirmation; a simple verification of the baptismal register is sufficient.

Every confirmand not baptized in the parish presenting him or her for confirmation must ask the parish where his or her sacramental records are kept to produce a certificate dated no earlier than six months prior to the date of confirmation. It is insufficient to offer merely a copy of a baptismal certificate from years earlier, as that would not include all the confirmand's most recent sacramental records.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

Current sacramental records (cont.)

The sacrament of confirmation “cannot be repeated” (c. 845 §1), and it is impossible to present for confirmation someone who had already been validly confirmed. Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians validly administer the sacrament of confirmation (which they term “chrismation”) and even Eucharist to infants. Check the confirmand’s current sacramental records to ascertain if this has occurred. If someone baptized and chrismated as an Eastern Christian is later raised as a Roman Catholic, the person certainly may attend confirmation classes alongside his or her peers, but cannot receive the sacrament again. He or she may attend the confirmation liturgy, pray for classmates, and perhaps even approach the bishop to receive a blessing, but may not be presented for confirmation. This also applies to Latin-Rite Catholics who may have been deathly sick as infants and were confirmed in an emergency, but later recovered. Neither may they be presented again for confirmation.

Those baptized outside the Catholic Church (e.g. Lutherans) who are subsequently received into communion in the Catholic Church have their sacramental records maintained in the parish where they were received into Catholic communion. These confirmands usually do not need to ask the (non-Catholic) church where they were baptized to produce a baptismal certificate; the Catholic Church which received him or her into Catholic communion should have obtained such a certificate already. That Catholic parish should produce its own certificate dated within six months of the confirmation, and include on it all notations found in its sacramental record.

Sometimes the sacramental record reveals that a confirmand has not undertaken elementary catechetical formation or received the sacraments of Reconciliation (penance/confession) or first holy communion, which they should do before confirmation. Obtaining a current copy of the sacramental records can indicate that the confirmand needs additional instruction and/or sacraments before receiving confirmation.

Rarely, a sacramental record discloses that a student was initiated in a way not recognized as valid by the Catholic Church. Such situations require particular pastoral sensitivity, and can only be adequately addressed well in advance of the date of the confirmation.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

Current sacramental records (*cont.*)

Finally, some historic parishes have merged with other parishes or now have different addresses. Obtaining a recently-dated baptismal certificate for each confirmand helps the parish presenting the confirmand for confirmation know where to send notification to the parish maintaining the confirmand's sacramental register so they can keep records up to date.

Every Catholic has a right to confirm that his or her sacramental records are accurate and up-to-date. (This is especially important when someone plans to get married.) Asking for current records now can help a parish fill in gaps in the record and supply missing information. Thank you for your diligence in verifying the sacramental status of each of your confirmands.

Ministerial roles in the liturgy

Parishes are expected to provide volunteers to assist as greeters, ushers, lectors, altar servers, offertory gift bearers, and extraordinary ministers of holy Communion. In addition, a parish's choir may be invited to sing at the liturgy. To see what each ministry entails and who is eligible to assist, see this [PDF](#).

PREPARING FOR THE DAY OF CONFIRMATION

Parish sending/receiving ceremony

A week or two before confirmation, each parish should have a “sending ceremony” within the parish Sunday Mass so the community can pray for the confirmands. Alternately, it could celebrate a “receiving ceremony” shortly after confirmation. A guide for these ceremonies can be found on pages 15-17 of this booklet.

When to arrive

People may arrive one hour before Mass begins; confirmands must arrive no later than thirty minutes before Mass. Be aware that some locations may have other events scheduled right before confirmation and parking may be a challenge. See the calendar of the Basilica of Saint Mary, Cathedral of Saint Paul, and Saint Dominic on their respective websites:

mary.org

cathedralsaintpaul.org

churchofstdominic.org

Pew signs

If a parish wants to bring its own pew signs to supplement the posted seating charts, please attend to the following guidelines:

The Basilica of Saint Mary creates its own pew signs. If a parish brings its own additional signs, it is responsible for placing and removing them. Use tape in very minimal amounts.

The Cathedral of Saint Paul does not permit parishes to use tape. Rather, punch a hole in the top of each sign and hang it from the hook on each pew. The Cathedral recommends using pew signs sized 5”x8”.

PREPARING FOR THE DAY OF CONFIRMATION

Attire

Confirmands, sponsors, family members, and guests should dress as they would for any sacred occasion, wearing one's "Sunday best." Men should wear a buttoned-down collared shirt and tie, dress pants, and dress shoes. Women should wear a blouse or dress with sleeves (no bare shoulders or midriffs), dress shoes, and dress pants or a skirt/dress that extends to the top of the knee. Those exercising a ministry role (lector, greeter, EMHC, etc.) should also wear their Sunday best. If a parish is in the custom of using "confirmation stoles," they should not be worn for this liturgy.

Name tags

Each confirmand is to wear a nametag which the chrismator can read easily. The confirmation saint's name should appear in large letters, the most prominent item on the name tag. The name tag may also include the confirmand's legal name and/or parish in smaller print. See the examples below.



PREPARING FOR THE DAY OF CONFIRMATION

Photography

Guests are welcome to take photos before and after Mass at any side chapel. Professional photographers will not be afforded special accommodations. No one may step into the aisle during Mass to take photos; photos taken during Mass may not use a flash. Group photos after Mass will be handled at each location thus:

At **Basilica of Saint Mary**, confirmands will be called by parish to take a group photo with the bishop in the sanctuary immediately after Mass. Attending clergy may join their parish in the photo. Family members may enter the center aisle to take photos.

At **Cathedral of Saint Paul**, confirmands will be called by parish to take a group photo with the bishop in the sanctuary immediately after Mass. Attending clergy may join their parish in the photo. The cathedral staff will take the group photo and email it to confirmation coordinators, who can forward it to family members requesting a copy.

At **Saint Dominic**, confirmands will be called by parish to take a group photo with the bishop in the sanctuary immediately after Mass. Attending clergy may join their parish in the photo. Family members may enter the center aisle to take photos.

Livestream

Confirmations are not normally livestreamed. Those with a compelling need for it to be livestreamed should contact the church where the confirmation will occur to ask about that possibility. If the church agrees to livestream it, please inform the Office of Worship so all participating parishes can be notified.

PARISH PLANNING

Updating sacramental records

Every parish must update its sacramental (baptismal) register to record each confirmand's reception of confirmation according to these Archdiocesan policies:

The parish which prepares the individual for the sacrament of confirmation, whether or not the individual receives the sacrament at the parish church, must record the administration of the sacrament in the parish's confirmation register. (503.10)

The parish which prepares the individual for the sacrament of confirmation must also add the notation of confirmation in the baptismal register if the person who has been confirmed was also baptized in the parish church. If the person who has been confirmed was baptized at another parish, the parish of preparation must notify the parish of baptism about the conferral of confirmation so that a notation is made in the baptismal register. (503.11)

Some parishes also issue "confirmation certificates." These may carry sentimental value for confirmands but are not official records. The Archdiocese has no policy in regard to such certificates.

If you have questions about sacramental records, please contact:

missionsupport.archspm.org

missionsupport@archspm.org

651.251.7777

Scheduling for next season

During the late fall season, the Office of Worship will send confirmation coordinators a survey regarding the following school year (i.e. 14+ months in advance), asking the parish's preferred location, month, day of week, preferred languages, and about how many confirmands are expected. Those who respond first will be given preference. All parishes, even those not needing a confirmation date for the upcoming season, are asked to respond. The Office of Worship will coordinate all this information and email confirmation coordinators their assigned date around then end of the school year.

SCHEDULING FOR NEXT SEASON

Obviously, not all 185 parishes will get their first choice. If a parish is scheduled for a date that presents a serious conflict (during spring break, pastor out of town, etc.), contact the Office of Worship as soon as possible; the earlier the notification, the more likely the conflict can be resolved. The larger a parish is, the more difficult it may be.

Once conflicts are resolved, final confirmation dates, locations, and languages will be posted [here](#).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I am new in my position as a confirmation coordinator. What do I need to do? Welcome! The best thing you can do is stop by, call, email or video call the Office of Worship and introduce yourself. We always like to put faces, or at least voices, to names. We need your name, phone number, email address, and job title. Once we have your information you will receive all confirmation communications. Please feel free to ask us any questions, we are here to help!

What if a confirmand cannot make the parish date? Although these situations are uncommon, there is a procedure for this. First, have the confirmand/family/sponsor go to the archdiocesan website and choose three dates that they are able to attend. The confirmation coordinator will then email the Office of Worship those dates and we will go from there. To see the entire procedure, [click this link](#).

What if I have more/less confirmands than what I originally thought? Please communicate changes in confirmand numbers with the Office of Worship, especially if there is a change of five or more. If you don't remember how many you originally planned on, please ask. This is to ensure that we have enough room at the church. If you are going to add a lot of additional confirmands to your date, you may need to have two separate dates to accommodate the capacities of the Basilica of Saint Mary, Cathedral of Saint Paul, and Saint Dominic. If your number of confirmands is decreasing substantially (for example you go from 150 to 35 confirmands), it is also important to let the Office of Worship know as soon as possible.

Why can't my pastor just confirm our confirmands? A bishop is the ordinary minister of confirmation, and every effort should be made for youth in the archdiocese to be confirmed by a bishop at an archdiocesan liturgy. Note that if a priest does not have the faculty (authorization) to confirm, any attempt he makes to do so would result in an invalid confirmation. If a pastor believes he has a compelling reason to administer confirmation to a baptized Catholic under age 18, he may write to the archbishop to request this faculty. The confirmation may not be administered unless that faculty is granted by the archbishop.

At what age should children be confirmed? Archdiocesan policy 503 states that it is the practice here for children to be confirmed between the eighth and eleventh grades. Legitimate exceptions are given in canon 891. Pastors who desire a child to be confirmed outside of that age range must write to the archbishop indicating how this case fulfills the exceptions in [canon 891](#).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can a confirmand have more than one sponsor? The Order of Confirmation admits of one sponsor per confirmand. The archdiocesan policy states, “It is desirable that the sponsor of the child at baptism is also the sponsor at confirmation, although another person, of either sex, may fulfill this function.” (503.8) That sponsor’s name is enrolled in the parish’s official sacramental register. Other persons may accompany the confirmand in an honorary role. If you have more questions on this topic please contact missionsupport.archspm.org.

We are a multicultural parish. How can we include some aspects of all our cultures in the Mass? When filling out your confirmation survey, please identify your parish’s culture and your desire to feature this in the liturgy. Some possible ways include providing a lector to proclaim a reading in a particular language, presentation of offertory gifts in a festive way, and even music. All archdiocesan hosting parishes eagerly welcome musicians from attending parishes. If your choir would like to sing in the confirmation Mass, please inform the Office of Worship, who will connect you with the music director at the hosting parish.

A sponsor cannot make it. What happens then? There are several options. First, it is not strictly required even to have a sponsor, though it is strongly encouraged. If a confirmand has no sponsor, simply leave blank the “sponsor column” of the confirmation register; yet even if there is no official sponsor, another adult could simply accompany the confirmand before the bishop. Secondly, the confirmand can ask the pastor to assign a qualified sponsor for the confirmand. A third option is for the sponsor to designate a “proxy,” someone deputed to act in the sponsor’s name during the rite of confirmation. The sponsor (preferably in writing) must mandate the proxy to act in his name. This mandate can be as simple as: “I, (name of sponsor), designate (name of proxy), to act in my name at the confirmation of (name of confirmand) which is scheduled to take place on (date of confirmation).” This mandate should be signed by a priest, two witnesses, or a civil notary. The proxy should formally accept the mandate in writing and have a priest, two witnesses, or a civil notary countersign the acceptance. For further questions contact missionsupport@archspm.org or 651.251.7777.

My parish shares our confirmation program with other parish(es). How will we be called? We are happy to list your parish names in a way that will include all the confirmands. Please indicate what would be the best way to call your parish(es) in the parish update survey.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I am leaving my position as a confirmation coordinator. What do I need to do? Before leaving a confirmation coordinator position, please identify your parish's new contact person and notify the Office of Worship of this change. Be prepared to give the name, phone number, email address, and job title of your replacement.

I am making confirmation certificates for my confirmands. How do I do this? Who do I list as the presiding minister? There are two kinds of confirmation certificates: ceremonial and official. Ceremonial certificates simply commemorate the occasion of confirmation and exist in many templates that parishes can purchase (or they can create their own). Since they are commemorative, their appearance and contents are up to the taste of the pastor and his staff. Official confirmation certificates, in contrast, can only be issued by a parish that contains a person's sacramental register, must be signed by the pastor, and are impressed by the parish seal. These are usually requested by another church or religious institution to prove that a person has been confirmed.

It is always best to list the presiding bishop as the confirming minister even if an assisting priest applied chrism to the confirmand. Further, because bishops' schedules change, sometimes the presiding minister ends up not being the one whose name was previously communicated to the parish. Hence, it is best to wait until the confirmation date to prepare the certificates.

Why do priests anoint candidates for confirmation alongside the bishop? The Sacrament of Confirmation is conferred by the bishop presiding over the liturgy. When there are a large number of candidates to be confirmed, Church law allows the presiding minister to associate priests with himself in the celebration of the sacrament, by assisting him with the anointing of the candidates with chrism. Because these priests are associated with the presiding bishop, the minister of confirmation is the bishop, rather than the priest assisting him with the anointing.

If I have more questions who can I ask?

Confirmands, parents, and others should contact the parish confirmation coordinator with further questions. Confirmation coordinators needing more information are invited to contact the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis: missionsupport.archspm.org, or 651.251.7777.

RESPONSE PRACTICE

SENDING/RECEIVING CEREMONY GUIDE

After the homily, the presider addresses the congregation in these or similar words.

Presider:

Our confirmands (will be/have been) confirmed at the (Basilica of Saint Mary/Cathedral of Saint Paul) by (archbishop/bishop). Joining with them (are/were) many of the young people of the archdiocese. We do not want them to forget, however, that this sacrament connects them more closely with our own parish, and that they receive it surrounded by our prayers. We wish to recognize them today, and ask God's blessings for them.

Will the parents please stand?

Dear parents: (Today you present your child/you have presented your child) for the sacrament of confirmation. Your Christ like life is the first witness they have encountered. We thank you for your love and patience as your son or daughter has grown in their faith. During your child's confirmation preparation, they selected a sponsor to walk with them during their faith journey, to continue the work you have begun. This is a special time, when you hand your child over to another to walk with them in faith. We thank you for that trust.

Will the sponsors please stand with the parents?

Dear sponsors: (Soon you will journey/You have journeyed) to the (Basilica of Saint Mary/Cathedral of Saint Paul) to present your candidate to be confirmed. You have assumed the role of spiritual friend as they have prepared to receive the sacrament of confirmation. You were chosen because of the way you have modeled the Christian life. The parents have entrusted their child to you and our parish supports you and your candidate with our love and prayers. Thank you for your witness to the Christian life.

RESPONSE PRACTICE

Let us show these parents and sponsors a sign of our gratitude.

After the applause, parents and sponsors are seated.

Deacon/confirmation coordinator:

Let those who (will be/have been) confirmed stand when their name is called.

Each name is called individually and the candidate remains standing once their name has been called.

Presider:

You (are about to be/have just been) confirmed. The sacrament of confirmation binds you more closely to the whole Church, symbolized by both the confirming minister and the place of the life of the sacrament. It also binds you more closely to our own parish, where the life of the whole Church is shown forth to our neighbors and friends. As you (go to/return from) the celebration of the sacrament, know that our prayers and hopes accompany you. We ask God to join you more fully to our shared Gospel work.

Bear witness now to the faith, which this sacrament deepens by professing your faith. Please respond to each question by saying, "I do."

Do you reject Satan and all his works and all his empty promises?

I do.

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

I do.

RESPONSE PRACTICE

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried,
rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who came upon the apostles at Pentecost and (will be given/was given) to you
sacramentally in confirmation?

I do.

Do you believe in the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting?

I do.

This is our faith.

This is the faith of the Church.

We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

CONFIRMATION RITUAL RESPONSES

Please be sure to review these responses with the confirmands, ensuring that they are prepared to respond during the Rite of Confirmation.

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Bishop:

Do you renounce Satan,
and all his works and empty promises?

I do.

Bishop:

Do you believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth?

I do.

Bishop:

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered death and was buried,
rose again from the dead
and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

I do.

Bishop:

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who today through the Sacrament of Confirmation
is given to you in a special way
just as he was given to the Apostles
on the day of Pentecost?

I do.

CONFIRMATION RITUAL RESPONSES

Bishop:

Do you believe in the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting?

I do.

Bishop:

This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church.
We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

THE ANOINTING WITH SACRED CHRISM

The sponsor who presents the person to be confirmed places his/her right hand on shoulder of the confirmand and says:

(Archbishop/Bishop/Father) I present N. (use the Confirmation name) to you for Confirmation.

Archbishop/Bishop/Father:

N., be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.

The newly confirmed:

Amen.

Archbishop/Bishop/Father:

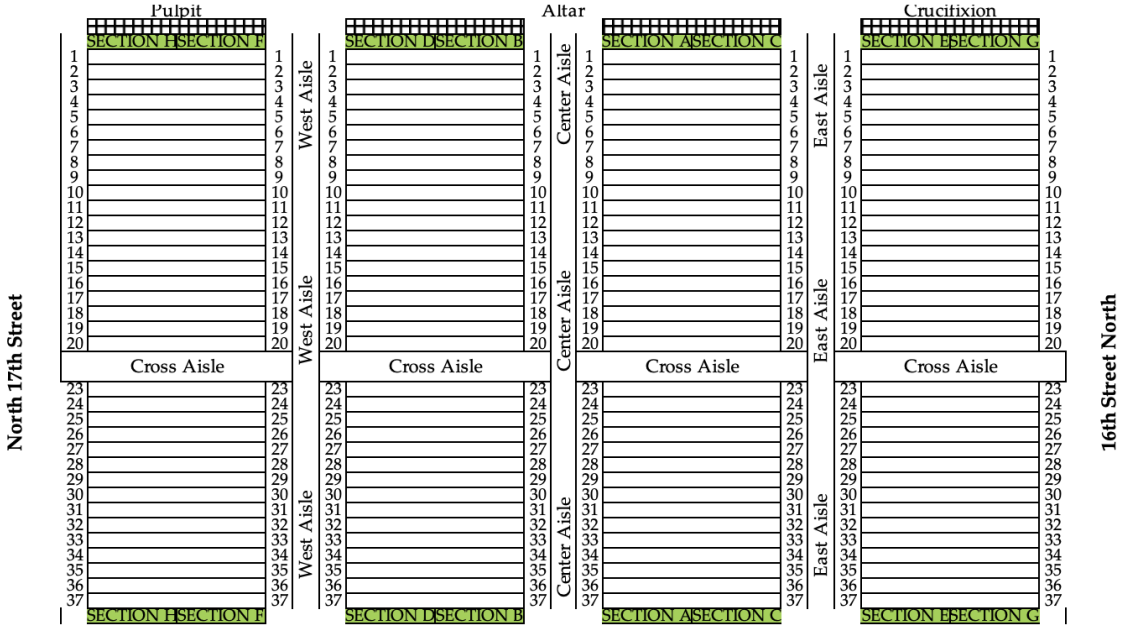
Peace be with you.

The newly confirmed:

And with your spirit.

SEATING CHARTS

Basilica of St. Mary



Baptismal Font

Wheel Chair Access

For Confirmation: Reserved seating is for candidates and sponsors. Each full pew fits 4 candidates and 4 sponsors.

SEATING CHARTS

Cathedral of Saint Paul

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Summit Avenue/John Ireland Boulevard

For Confirmation:
Reserved seating is for candidates and sponsors.
Each full pew fits 4 candidates and 4 sponsors.

PARKING

BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

Basilica of Saint Mary

88 North 17th Street
Minneapolis, MN 55403
612.333.1381
www.mary.org

West side of the church parking lot under I-94

- Saturdays and Sundays: free, with the exception of the reserved spots closest to Hennepin Ave.
- Parking is also free during funerals, with the exception of the reserved spots closest to Hennepin Ave.
- Reserved parking spots in this lot are marked as reserved and are paid spots for nearby businesses only.
- Mon–Fri: \$5.00; \$3.00 after 5:00 p.m.; cash only
- Please note: some spaces are reserved for Handicapped parking.

MCTC parking ramp east of the church

- 1420 Hennepin Ave S. (north side of Hennepin Ave). A pay-as-you-enter mechanical system requires payment before entering the ramp.
- Mon–Fri: \$5.00; credit cards accepted
- Free parking after 4:00 p.m. on Saturdays and all day Sundays
- Please note: \$5 during special events in Loring Park including Holidazzle, Pride, and others.

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MCTC ramp entrances (from downtown Minneapolis)

- Right turn only from Hennepin Ave. It is illegal to turn left into the MCTC parking ramp from Hennepin Ave.—the Minneapolis Police department actively enforces this restriction.
- Right or left turn from Laurel Ave., one block north of Hennepin Ave. between 15th and 16th St. on the north side of the building.

North 17th Street One-Way

- Please note: North 17th Street is a one-way street directed north from the traffic circle around the corner to Laurel West Ave directed east.

Accessible parking

- West side of the church (North 17th St). Enter the west ground level doors of the church (handicapped accessible entry) Take the elevator up to the sanctuary. There is a ramp on the east side of the building.
- The Cowley Center lot on east side of the church, enter on North 16th St. only reserved for handicapped parking on weekends.
- Please display your permit. Violators may be towed.

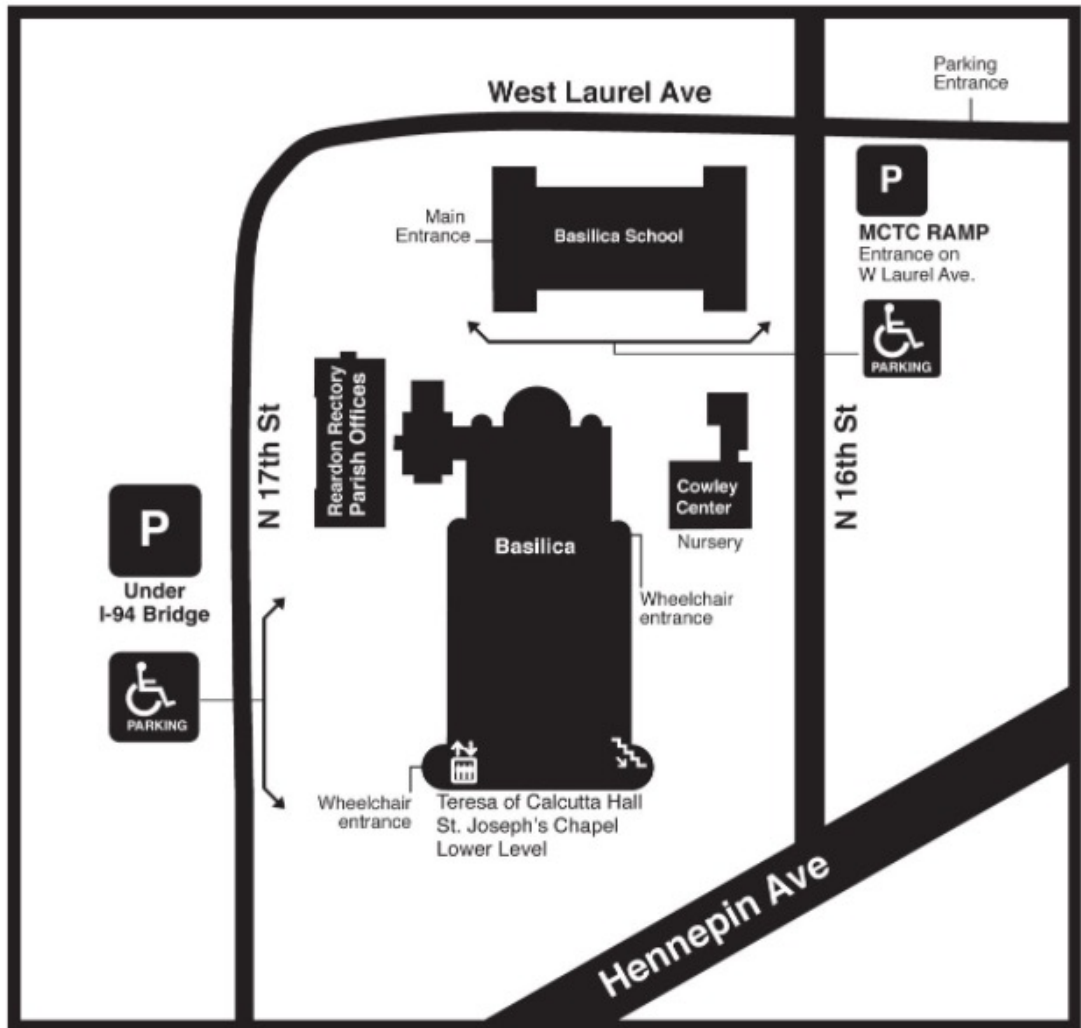
Please note that the construction equipment in the Cowley parking lot has restricted the spaces available. There are three spaces available near the 16th Street entrance. You may also access the Cowley lot through the west School staff parking lot.

Accessible entrances

- East and west ground level entry doors (under the Hennepin Avenue main stairs) equipped with automatic door openers.
- Church elevator located near west Hennepin entrance for access to all levels of the church.

PARKING

THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY



PARKING

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

Cathedral of Saint Paul

239 Selby Avenue
Saint Paul, MN 55102
651.228.1766
cathedralsaintpaul.org

The main parking lot is located at the corner of Summit and Selby Avenues. There are limited spots available in this lot, and in the adjoining lot on Selby. Street parking is available on both the Selby and Dayton sides of the Cathedral. Heed the signs to avoid parking tickets.

The former Hayden building and chancery are no longer owned by the cathedral. Therefore, free parking is not available at those locations.

Saint Paul College has a lot on the West side of the college.

Entering: Use the Marshall Avenue entrances or the Kellogg Boulevard Entrance

Visitors and employees who do not choose to have parking access through the SPC Card must enter the lot via the Marshall Avenue entrances or the Kellogg Boulevard entrance to obtain a short-term parking access ticket from the machine.

Exiting: Use the Marshall Avenue or the Concordia Avenue exit lanes

The short-term parking access ticket must be paid at the paystation in the lane when exiting the lot or the pay station in the Parking Ramp 3rd Floor Lobby. The Marshall Avenue and Concordia Avenue exit lanes accept the following for exiting: SPC Card, credit/debit card, pre-paid exit vouchers from pay stations, and validated tickets. There is no cash accepted at any exit lanes. All cash payments must be made in the 3rd floor Parking Ramp lobby using the paystation. You will receive a validated ticket upon payment that allows up to 20 minutes to exit the parking lot.

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Hourly parking rates are as follows:

Under 20 minutes	Free
20-59 minutes	\$1.00
60-179 minutes	\$3.00
180 minutes and over	\$5.00

Parking

Phone: 651.846.1797

Email: parking@saintpaul.edu

Room: 1240

Hours

Mon-Thurs. 9:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m..

Fri 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

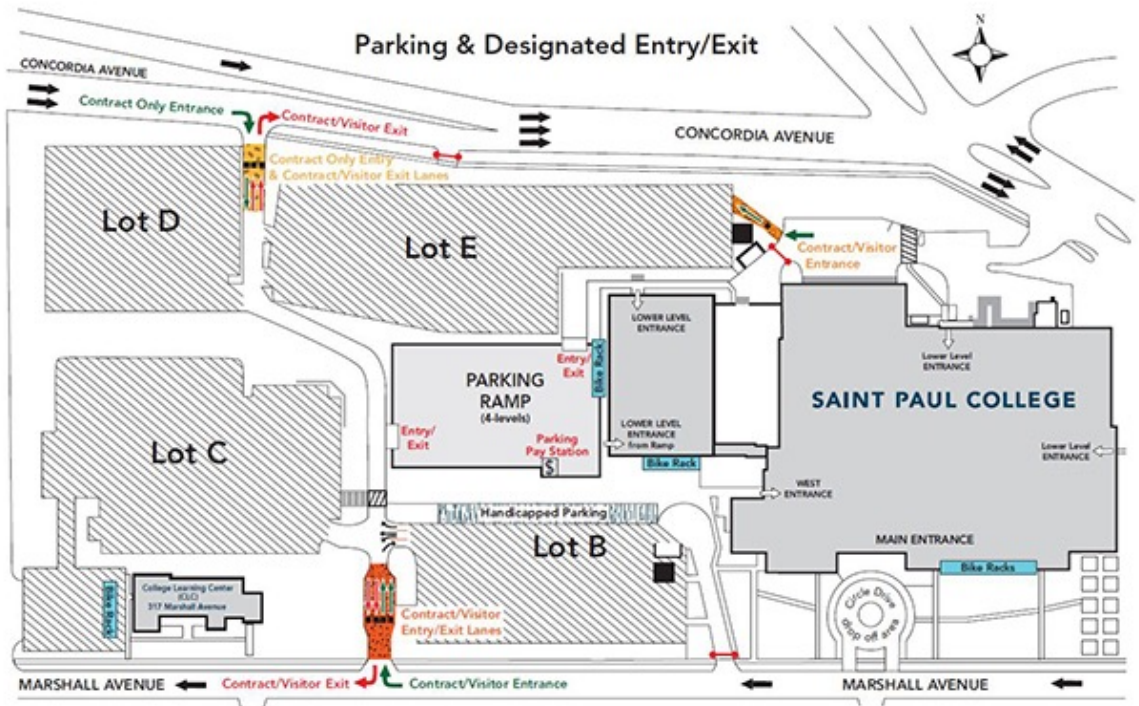
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Accessibility

The Cathedral's handicapped-accessible entrance is available off of Selby Avenue. The handicapped-accessible entrance to the lower level is on Dayton Avenue. There is an elevator inside the Cathedral. Street parking on Selby Avenue in front of this door is marked for handicapped use only.

The Cathedral of Saint Paul offers Assisted Listening services for the hard of hearing. If you would like to benefit from this service and you have a hearing aid with a T-coil, please pick up one of our FM receivers at the Ushers Room before Mass (between the vestibule and the Chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary). The system works either with the accompanying silhouette or your own neck loop.

PARKING



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 A Community & Technical College
 235 Marshall Avenue
 Saint Paul, MN 55102
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Map Legend					
	Contract/Visitor Entry/Exit		Gated Entry/Exit (locked)		Motorcycle Parking
	Contract Only Entry/Exit & Contract/Visitor Exit		Bike Rack		Smoke Shack

Visitors, students and employees may park in the Parking Ramp and Lots B, C, D & E.

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*Confirmation strengthens us to
defend the faith and to spread
the Gospel courageously.*

—Pope Francis



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