

CONFIRMATION CALENDAR

- **Confirmation Weekend Retreat** will be held on **Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 12, 13, 14, 2010 - Life for Youth Ranch, Vero Beach, FL** (see enclosed).
- **Confirmation Catechesis - Wednesday, January 26, 2011; Wednesday, February 16, 2011 - 6:30pm in the Church - Parents and Students must attend.**
- **Confirmation Robes** - Because of the connection between Baptism and Confirmation, the confirmandi are required to purchase white robes at the cost of **\$25.00**. If this presents a hardship financially to anyone, please call the Office of Religious Education at the parish. Please make checks payable to St. Joseph Church and return to your child's teacher by **December 1, 2010**.
- **Choosing a Confirmation Name** - SJS does this in the classroom - PREP does not. This is to be done at home - please follow the guidelines in this booklet if you are choosing an additional name to your baptismal name. Please base it on a Christian premise - not your favorite soap opera character. Fill out the form in the folder - if we do not receive this by **December 1, 2010**, we will assume you are keeping your baptismal name
- **Letter to Fr. Bob** - Candidates must write a letter requesting the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation. These letters need to be turned into their teacher by **December 1, 2010**. (see enclosed sample letter).
- If baptismal certificates, sponsor forms or service projects are not provided, the reception of the sacrament may be delayed. The school provides service projects and P.R.E.P. students are required to perform acts of service individually (or with class, time permitting) which can be documented. **Sponsor forms** need to be turned into their teacher by **December 1, 2010**.
- **Interview with the Pastor** - All candidates are required to interview with the Pastor prior to the reception of the sacrament. This usually takes fifteen minutes, during class time, and students are expected to know their "Catholic Identity" which is located in the Prayer Book in this packet. Interview times will be set and held during the month of **January**.
- **Parent/Student Evening Twilight Retreat - TBD**. Parents and students will come together to share in their understanding of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- **Rite of Enrollment - TBD**. The blessing of the parish community to go forth to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Sponsors are encouraged to attend with their candidates (Parents may proxy for the sponsor if sponsor is unable to attend).
- **Confirmation - TBD**. (Sponsors need to attend the rehearsal with candidates).
- A **reception** will be held in the Parish Center after the Mass. Fr. Bob and visiting priests will be on hand for photo opportunities at the reception.