



OUR LADY IMMACULATE, 401 EWELL ROAD, TOLWORTH, SURREY. KT6 7DG

Confirmation Programme 2027

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ABOUT CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is the Sacrament that completes your initiation into the Church, confirms your Baptism and enables you to be a witness to the Gospel. It is also a time when the whole community of Our Lady Immaculate Parish will pray for the Holy Spirit to fill your life. During the programme you will learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation and have the opportunity to choose to live and work as a member of the Catholic Church and be a follower and disciple of Jesus. The Bishop then calls you to the fullness of the Christian life. The Sacrament is not an opportunity to choose to no longer attend Mass.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

If you are in year 9 or above at school, or in college, have made your First Communion, and you regularly come to Mass in Our Lady Immaculate Parish, then you are eligible to be confirmed in this parish in 2027. Going to Mass regularly during the programme is very much part of the programme.

COMMITMENT TO THE COURSE

Year 9 is the ideal age, school commitments wise, to attend the confirmation course: it is a course, and all sessions must be attended in order for the Sacrament to be received. There will be approx. 16 sessions over 5 and a bit months, but 100% commitment needs to be there from the start.

HOW TO JOIN:

Stage 1:

1. Print off this application pack and read through it carefully (please print each page on a separate sheet)
2. The application form (page one only) must be returned to the presbytery for my attention (or scanned to the email above which is preferable – legible photos of forms are also ok via email) – **closing date for applications is Sunday 1st November** (late applications will not be accepted)
3. Your application will be acknowledged within a week of handing it in or being emailed to me (if you do not hear anything, please get in touch asap) (**CARE: use email address above only, which is new**)

Stage 2:

1. Ensure you have a copy of the baptismal certificate (apply now to the parish where baptism took place for a copy if you need to)
2. Complete the Declaration of Commitment below
3. Complete the Sponsor Form below. This must be handed, as described on the form, to the sponsor and their Parish Priest to complete, and must be returned to you for point 5 below
4. Complete the GDPR form below
 - a. If you have all of the above and wish to hand them in / email them to me in advance of Point 5, then that would be great and save some time
5. We will email you after the above closing date, with a specific date for an appointment with one of our priests / myself so the application process can be completed (appointments will be late November, so please ensure ALL forms are fully complete before then) – appointments to be attended by candidate and at least one parent. The above forms listed under Stage 2 should be brought with you to that meeting (unless handed in / emailed earlier, which would be great if you can), fully completed. **Without all of the above, a young person cannot join the course**

IMPORTANT DATES:

- The programme will run on Tuesdays at 7.15pm (finishing at 8.30pm) and run on most Tuesdays during term time. Candidates are expected to attend all sessions.
- **Parents Meeting (not young people) will be held on Tuesday 12th January at 7.15pm** for all parents (one per family is fine), and the course will start the week later for the young people. The rest of the dates will be provided after the sign up process is complete.
- The Sacrament of Confirmation date will be confirmed in due course.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any immediate concerns or queries.

APPLICATION FORM



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I wish to apply for confirmation on behalf of my son / daughter. Their details are below (**please complete all fields and in BLOCK CAPITALS – parent / guardian to complete form please**):

Christian Name (candidate):

Surname (candidate):

Male / Female?:

Address (inc. post code):

Telephone (parent):

D.O.B.:

School year they are in:

School / College attended:

Place (church name and full postal address) & date of Baptism:

Place (church name and town) & date of First Communion:

Medical info we should be aware of (e.g. learning difficulties):

Parent's / Guardian's Names:

Parent / guardian's e-mail:

Mass time usually attended in OLI (please tick):

Saturday Evening ☐

6pm Sunday ☐

9am Sunday ☐

Don't attend OLI ☐

11am Sunday ☐

Signed (Parent / Guardian):

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DECLARATION OF COMMITMENT

By asking to be enrolled as a candidate for confirmation,

I (candidate),

understand that I am undertaking to do my best to take a full part in all
the preparation sessions and celebrations
involved in the Confirmation programme

I am committed to attending Mass regularly during the programme and
beyond, and taking a full part as a baptised Catholic

I ask for the prayers of my parish community of
Our Lady Immaculate, Tolworth
to help me as I accept the challenge
to grow in the knowledge of the Faith, and to try to live
as a faithful follower of Jesus.

Signed (candidate):

Signed (parent / guardian):

Date:



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The criteria for being a sponsor for Confirmation in the parish of Our Lady Immaculate is:

- a practising Roman Catholic (Baptised and Confirmed)
- over 16 years of age
- not your own mother or father

As a parent of a child who will be confirmed this year, you need to provide us with the full name of your chosen sponsor (please print the name carefully as it will be used in the Confirmation Certificate and entered in parish records). However, it is a requirement that we undertake steps to ensure the sponsor does meet the criteria above.

Please complete the section immediately below, ask the sponsor to sign in the section below that, and then the sponsor is to hand the form to their parish priest to complete the section below that whilst in their presence (even if that is OLI Tolworth) and return to me via the presbytery. Please use BLOCK CAPITALS.

(To be completed by the candidate's parents – BLOCK CAPITALS please)

Name of candidate to be confirmed:

Name of Sponsor:

Name of sponsor's parish:

Address of sponsor's parish:

(To be completed by the sponsor)

I confirm that I meet the criteria above in that I am a practicing Catholic who is baptised and confirmed, and who is 16 years of age or over

Signed:

(To be completed by the sponsor's parish priest)

I confirm that I know the sponsor named and also confirm that they attend Mass regularly in this parish

Name of Parish Priest:

Signature of Parish Priest:

Stamp / seal of Parish (if available):

Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church Tolworth - GDPR

The Archdiocese of Southwark ['the Diocese' -*registered charity with the charity number 1173050*] is committed to ensuring that the information we hold about parishioners and others is properly and securely managed in accordance with legal requirements on data protection and direct marketing. Please complete this form if you would like to give your consent to the Parish holding and processing your personal data for particular purposes.

☐ I consent to the Parish contacting me to keep me informed about news relevant to Groups to which I belong.

☐ I consent to the Parish including my details in the Database for use by the Clergy for Pastoral purposes.

☐ I consent to the Parish sharing my contact details with the relevant Group Leader of Parish organisations to which I and my family belong or register for any particular year, so that they can keep me informed about news, events and activities

You do not have to consent to any or all the above purposes. Please only tick the boxes you want to. Where you do not grant consent, we will **not** be able to use your personal data (for example, to let you know about forthcoming services and events) except in certain limited situations, such as where we are required to do so by law.

You can find out more about how we use your data from our abridged Privacy Notice which is available on the Notice Board and/or parish website. You can read our full Privacy Statement here at www.rcsouthwark.co.uk

I would like to be contacted by:

☐ Post

☐ Phone

☐ Email

The parish from time to time has a photographer taking images for use on our website and of particular Services. We will display specific signs on days when photographs may be being taken. If you attend on any of these dates you give permission for your image to appear in group shots. Small group or individual shots will only be published with your prior consent.

You can unsubscribe from our communications at any time by contacting the Parish Priest or Parish Secretary by e-mail at tolworth@rcaos.org.uk or by telephone on 020 8399 9550. Please note that all processing of your personal data will cease once you have withdrawn consent, other than where this is required or permitted by law. This will not affect any personal data that has already been processed prior to that point.

Signed (Parent / guardian):

Dated:

Name (first name and surname):