

ALL SAINTS PARISH
Confirmation Preparation 2020-21

Dear Friends in Christ,

This year is a year like no other! The challenges of this pandemic are not small. Normally, we would meet in-person, and have a group of adult leaders assisting the lesson presenters to be with the teens for each section. Since in-person religious education is discouraged this year due to COVID-19, we have had to make some adjustments.

The program we will use this year for Confirmation Prep is **PURPOSE** by Lifeteen. All the resources and programs from PURPOSE are available online, and through the PURPOSE App. PURPOSE has some of the most engaging and dynamic content in the Catholic world today, and we are confident that it will be a transforming experience for all.

We are looking forward to having you as a part of this life changing journey into a relationship with Jesus and His One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church!

God bless you,
Fr. Chris Wallace

PROGRAM INFORMATION

1) Roles of Parents/Sponsors

- *The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that PARENTS ARE THE PRIMARY EDUCATORS OF THEIR CHILDREN IN THE FAITH (CCC #2223).* Confirmation Parents and/or Sponsors are required to take an active role in facilitating the PURPOSE weekly lessons with their teens.
- Every teen must select a Sponsor for Confirmation. Your Sponsor must be a confirmed Catholic in good standing with the Church, and a good spiritual role model for you to follow. Please see the attached Sponsor Form and Sponsor Discussion Questions for more information.

2) Meetings/ Q&A

- **We will meet IN-PERSON in the lower church from 7:00-8:00pm every Sunday when possible.** All Students and Parents/Sponsors are invited to join in this weekly session. If you are unable to join a weekly in-person session, you can follow along the program online and complete the lessons at home. All lessons will be required to be completed online if we are unable to meet in-person. Please contact us if you need help! The lesson schedule is attached below.
- You can email any questions about ANY SUBJECT (faith, scheduling, morality, etc) at ANY TIME to: confirmation@allsaintshaverhill.org Remember: there is no such thing as a bad question! We want to hear from you!

3) Christian Service & Retreat

- Due to the Pandemic, there are no formal requirements to complete Christian service hours for 2020-2021. However, this does not mean there are no opportunities. In fact there are lots of ways you can grow in love of God and love of neighbor in this time. Just pray and see how God will open doors!
- The possibility of an In-Person retreat may be explored in the Spring of 2021. If an in-person retreat experience is not possible, we will use the PURPOSE online retreat.

4) Other

- Because we are launching PURPOSE as a new program, all students in both Confirmation 1 and Confirmation 2 will be enrolled in PURPOSE.
- Every Teen will receive a copy of the *Prove It! Catholic Study Bible* and the booklet *Pillar of Fire, Pillar of Truth* at the beginning of the year
- *Prayer Journal* – each teen must obtain an unused, clean white notebook to use for weekly questions and reflections. Please plan to use it regularly!
- During 2020-2021, program details are subject to change with how things change with the pandemic. We will keep you informed of any changes as soon as we know.

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR PURPOSE

1. **Both STUDENTS and PARENTS will DOWNLOAD the PURPOSE APP** (by LifeTeen) to your computer, phone, and/or tablets. You can download the app for Apple iOS and Android on the purpose website: <https://purposeconfirmation.com>
2. You can access all the informational videos on how to get your app up and running at this website: <https://purposeconfirmation.com/videos>
3. Once you have downloaded the app, email the following **four items** of information to us at: confirmation@allsaintshaverhill.org

1) NAME	2) ADDRESS (City, State, Street, Zip Code)	3) EMAIL	4) PHONE
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4. Once you have sent Fr. Chris your above information, you will be activated as a user in the PURPOSE app. You will then be emailed a temporary password you can use to login to PURPOSE. Once you are logged in, you must reset your password. You should then be able to fully access all the PURPOSE programming.

PURPOSE by LifeTeen
Online Lesson Topics

2020

Class #	Date (Sundays from 7:00-8:00pm)	Topic
1.	October 18	Beginnings- Introduction (With Parents)
2.	October 25	Seeking- What Is Our Desire?
3.	November 1, ALL SAINTS DAY	Reasons- Faith and Reason
4.	November 8	Reveal- Is God Real?
5.	November 15	Breath- Does a Relationship with God Matter?
6.	November 22	Brokenhearted- Why Is There Evil and Suffering in Our World?
7.	December 6- 2 nd Advent	Fault- Our Goodness and the Fall
8.	December 13- 3 rd Advent	Prodigal- Why Jesus? Pt. 1
9.	December 20- 4 th Advent	More- Why Jesus? Pt. 2

Christmas Break:

- Christmas Eve- Thursday, December 24; Christmas Day- Friday, December 25
- New Years Day- Friday, January 1, 2021

2021

Class #	Date (Sundays from 7:00-8:00pm)	Topic
10.	January 10	New- Why Jesus? pt. 3
11.	January 17	Transformation- Acts of the Apostles/the Gospel Message
12.	January 24	Foundation- Why the Church?
13.	February 7	Burn- The Holy Spirit in the Church

14.	February 14	Source- The Mass and Eucharist
<i>* February 17- Ash Wednesday</i>		
15.	February 21- 1 st Lent	Enter- Baptism
16.	February 28- 2 nd Lent	Signature- Confirmation
17.	March 7- 3 rd Lent	Called- Foundations of Discipleship
18.	March 14- 4 th Lent	Power- The Holy Spirit in the Life of Discipleship
19.	March 21- 5 th Lent	Meaning- Vocation

HOLY WEEK 2021

- + **March 28- Palm Sunday**
- + **April 1- Holy Thursday**
- + **April 2- Good Friday**
- + **April 3- Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil**
- + **April 4- Easter Sunday**

- + Confirmation 1 students are encouraged to attend Holy Thursday and Good Friday (if possible)
- + Confirmation 2 students are encouraged to attend the Easter Vigil (if possible)

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20.	April 11- 2 nd Easter	Speak- Witnesses of Faith
21.	April 18- 3 rd Easter	Pathway- Morality
22.	April 25- 4 th Easter	United- Justice
23.	May 2- 5 th Easter	Nations- Evangelization
24.	May 9- 6 th Easter	My Purpose- Ongoing Relationship with the Holy Spirit
<i>*May 13- Ascension Thursday</i>		
<i>* May 23- Pentecost Sunday</i>		