



Immaculate Conception Church
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December 13th, 2023

Dear Parents:

SUBJECT: SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

I wish to share good news with you! As a Grade Seven student at Immaculate Conception Elementary or Monsignor O'Donoghue, your child is a potential candidate for the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation.

With the support and engagement of you as parents, the parish, and the Catholic school community, I look forward to assisting your child in their preparation to receive this sacrament.

The Diocese of Peterborough has brought the parishes together to offer a *Sacramental Preparation Program* that is consistent in form and content. This initiative is designed to assist the home, school and parish in nurturing the faith of your child as you prepare them for receiving this sacrament.

All of the Catholic parishes in the Diocese work closely with the school communities. The Catholic schools provide *Religious and Family Life Education* for your child and the parishes provide the *Sacramental Preparation Programs*. Catechists from the parish community facilitate the *Sacramental Preparation Program* with your child. This program is required for your child to understand the significance of the sacrament and to receive this sacrament this year.

The following are the details for the **Confirmation** program being offered at Immaculate Conception Parish. All sessions will be held from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall:

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

- Monday, January 22nd
- Monday, February 5th
- Monday, February 26th
- Monday, March 4th
- Monday, March 18th
- Monday, April 8th
- Monday, April 29th
- Monday, May 13th

**Celebration of Confirmation with Most Reverend Bishop Daniel Miehm:
JUNE 1ST, 2024**

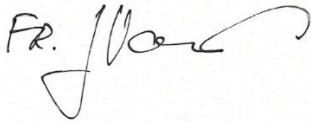
There is a fee of \$50 to help offset the cost of the materials. Your child will receive a student guide entitled: *Chosen: Your Journey Toward Confirmation*. Kindly bring the completed registration form, their baptism certificate and the fee **to the parish office before the first session on January 22nd**. The registration form and program overview can be found on the Sacraments page of our website: <https://www.immaculatepeterborough.ca/sacraments>

As pastor, I am responsible in collaborating with the Bishop in following Canon Law and Diocesan Policies to ensure that all the requirements are completed in preparation for the celebration of the sacraments for your child. If your child has not yet been baptized, please feel welcome to contact me at your earliest convenience.

The parish community is looking forward to supporting your child in prayer as they prepare to receive this holy sacrament and celebrating this time of God's grace with your child and your family.

I take this opportunity to assure you of my prayers and a very warm welcome at Immaculate Conception Parish.

God bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Jozef Vano", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Fr. Jozef Vano
Pastor