



Saint Mary Magdalene
Catholic Church

Adult Confirmation 2014-2015

Adults age 19 and older

Formation sessions Nov. 2, 9, 16; Dec. 7, 14

Jan 4, 11

Sunday 10:15am – 11:45am

Sacrament will be celebrated January 31 at the 5pm Mass

Following the Archdiocesan guidelines of Atlanta formation for adults is free standing, of brief duration, intensely focused Confirmation preparation for catechized adults who have never been confirmed but who have celebrated Baptism, Reconciliation and Eucharist. Adults will be confirmed at the local church when the Archbishop or Auxiliary Bishop presides at the celebration.

Week 1 – Gods call and our response: Catechism nos. 1-3, 50-73, 142-184.

Revelation Scripture, Tradition and the Magisterium, general familiarity with and ability to use the Bible and Catechism as well as an understanding of the Creed. CCC 74-141, 185-1065, focus on the 12 Articles of the Creed, Triune God, Incarnation Pascal Mystery, Pentecost and Church. Resources: Mark Link #3 and #2

Week 2 – Structure and content of the Mass, overview of Sacraments, ability to use Missal, understanding of the other Sacraments and their place in the stages of Christian life. CCC1210 Resources: Mark Link #20, 21,

Week 3 – Review and Update on Catholic morality and a mature examination of the Sacrament of Penance

Resources: Mark Link #26, 27, 28, 22

Also read Chapter 1-11 *People of God: The History of Catholic Christianity*, by Anthony E. Gilles

Pub. Date: April 2000, Publisher: Saint Anthony Messenger Press & Franciscan Communications

ISBN-13: 9780867163636, \$14.95

Week 4 – Continuation of discussion on Catholic morality and the material from previous session

Resources: Mark Link #26, 27, 28, 22

Also read Chapter 12-21 *People of God: The History of Catholic Christianity*, by Anthony E. Gilles

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Week 5 – Prayer and Spirituality Resources: Mark Link #7, 8, 29

Week 6 – Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit, obligations to defend the faith and evangelize which flow from Baptism and Confirmation, CCC3 and 1285. Resources: Mark Link #19, 31

Week 7 – Open for discussion of points of interest or concern in preparation for the Celebration of Confirmation.

Resources: Will be provided by the parish at a cost of \$45.00 per person

Mark Link, SJ – *The New Catholic Vision*, RCL

Catechism of the Catholic Church

New American Bible

People of God: The History of Catholic Christianity, by Anthony E. Gilles; Pub. Date: April 2000, Publisher: Saint Anthony Messenger Press & Franciscan Communications ISBN-13: 9780867163636,

ADULT CONFIRMATION

St. Mary Magdalene Confirmation preparation program is designed to help you come to a deeper understanding of how the Holy Spirit works in your life and in the life of the Church.

Learning Sessions Each candidate attends seven formation sessions classes. Sponsors are invited to attend sessions with you.

Confirmation Name Candidates must choose a Confirmation name. This can be your baptismal name or the name of a Saint you admire. Candidates will research their Confirmation name and write a brief summary explaining why they chose their particular name and how it represents them.

Retreat Experience Candidates are encouraged to participate in a retreat to spend time in reflection and prayer. The Ignatius House, a Jesuit Retreat Center in Atlanta and the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers Georgia are wonderful retreat locations.

Sponsors Must be practicing Catholics in full communion with the Catholic Church.