

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Youth Ministry

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Dear Year 1 Confirmation Parents,

Thank you for your interest in the Confirmation program here at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton for your teen's Catholic faith formation. Our goal for the teens in the program is to provide opportunities for them to experience the love of Jesus Christ, get to know Him personally and learn about the teachings of the Church He established. We are anticipating another grace filled year for 2018-19!

This packet contains the main points of the program. A detailed program packet containing calendar, curriculum, and retreat sign up form, etc. will be provided at the Parent/Teen Session on **Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8pm**. Year 1 teens and parents will have the opportunity to their meet small group leaders and the rest of the teens in the program. This session is counted as a class session for the teens. A mailing containing the name of each student's small group leaders and session time will be mailed to all registered Year 1 families prior to the session.

After much prayer and deliberation, the Confirmation program will have a few changes this year. Instead of having two full years of formation, we will have a year and a half of formation. This means the teens will be **confirmed in the Fall of Freshman Year**. This allows more flexibility for the date we will receive from Bishop Malloy since many parishes decide on a Spring date.

As you can see in the registration packet, **classes start at 1pm and 4pm instead of 12:30 and 4:30** as they have in the past. We will be meeting in the Parish Hall and because of the 11:15am Mass, we want to give parishioners some time for fellowship after Mass instead of asking them to leave so we can start class. We are having Confirmation formation in the parish hall instead of the meeting rooms to bring a sense of community among the rest of the teens and have it be less of a "classroom" feel and more of a "youth group" feel.

Within the small groups, we will have two catechists for every 7-8 teens. If there is someone your teen would be interested in being in a group with, please specify that on the registration form. We cannot guarantee the pairings, especially since we will have two class times. The groups will also be gender neutral (all boys/all girls), but for the watching of the video and the game/icebreaker at the beginning, everyone will be together. We are having gender neutral groups because some of the topics discussed will be better with those of the same gender so the group can go deeper into the topic. We will still be using the *Chosen* series.

In order to ensure that candidates are sufficiently formed in the Faith prior to the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation, no more than 2 sessions per year may be missed. All candidates are required to attend Sunday Mass weekly. Attendance at Sunday Mass and holy days of obligation is one of the five precepts of the Catholic Church. The Precepts of the Catholic Church are a description of the absolute minimum actions required of Catholics regarding the Church. The Church uses these precepts to remind us that Christian life requires a commitment to prayer and active participation in the liturgy and sacraments. If we fall below this bare-minimum level, we can't rightly consider ourselves to be in full

# St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

## Confirmation Year 1 2018-2019



### \*\*\*Confirmation Sponsors\*\*\*

A Confirmation Sponsor serves as a mentor in the growth of Catholic faith throughout the formation process and beyond. The Sponsor information packet will be available at the Parent/Teen session. The Sponsor form and affidavit will be due in November.

## Year 1 Tuition

- \$275 per student
- \$250 Early Bird rate  
(if registration forms received by 8/03)
- Includes full day Retreat

Full payment of \$250 may be made by the August 3<sup>rd</sup> Early Bird date or \$275 after August 3<sup>rd</sup> or the following payment option may be selected:

#### Installment plan:

If Form received by August 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$100 due

If Form received between Aug. 4-31<sup>st</sup> - \$125 due

October 31<sup>st</sup> - \$50 due

November 30<sup>th</sup> - \$50 due

January 31<sup>st</sup> - \$50 due

Please contact the Youth Ministry Office if special consideration is needed.

### About Our Confirmation Program

- Confirmation Formation is a one and a half year program that begins in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated in the Fall of 2019. Please see letter about changes in the Confirmation program.
- The program focuses on expanding the candidate's understanding of the Catholic faith and how we are called to be disciples in today's world.
- There will be *sixteen Group Sessions* this year that will meet on **Sundays** either from **1:00-2:30pm** or **4:00-5:30pm** and *one Parent/Teen session on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8pm.*
- Candidates are invited and expected to attend two Masses as a group, which will be on **Sundays** during the regular 11:15 Mass time.
- Catechists for each Small Group will plan approximately *2 service projects* per year to take place at various times and locations.
- There will be *a day long Retreat*, entitled, *Encountering the Truth*, held in the Parish Center on **Saturday January 26<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Candidates are expected to attend Mass every Sunday** and turn in 10 Mass Reflections for this year and 5 in Fall 2019.
- **Candidates are also expected to attend the Year 1 retreat and the overnight retreat in Fall 2019.**
- **If more than two sessions are missed the candidate will need to meet with Laura to discuss moving forward.**
- Additional program information will be available at the **Parent/Teen session on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.**
- **One parent** of each candidate is expected to attend a one-day, **parent only Retreat**, entitled, *God Is! Or Light of the World*. Dates will be coming soon.

# 2018-2019 Confirmation Registration Year 1

## St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

Registration Form due no later than August 31<sup>st</sup>

Early bird discount due date August 3rd

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_  Unlisted Parent Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

When sending mail, address to: (circle one) Mr./Mrs. Mr. Mrs. Ms. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian(s)

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contact

In the event of an emergency, please provide information for someone local *other than* a parent or guardian:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Information

We need your Registration **Form** by August 31<sup>st</sup>! Please do not delay registration due to financial concerns. Tuition may be paid in installments. Please contact the Youth Ministry Office if you need special consideration.

*Tuition is \$250 if Registration **Form** is received by the early bird date - August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tuition is \$275 if Registration Form is received after August 3<sup>rd</sup>.*

**Option 1**

Registration Form and  
Payment received by  
August 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
**\$250**

**Option 2**

Registration Form and  
Payment received  
**after** August 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
**\$275**

**Option 3**

**Registration Form and Installment plan:**

**If Form is received by August 3rd - \$100 due**

*If Form is received between Aug. 4-31 - \$125 due*

October 31<sup>st</sup> - \$50 due

November 30<sup>th</sup> - \$50 due

January 31<sup>st</sup> - \$50 due

*If paying by credit card, the amount due will be charged on each of the above dates.*

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_  Cash  Check  Card

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Auth. #: \_\_\_\_\_

# Registration Form for Confirmation

Return completed registration forms with  
copy of Baptismal certificate (unless baptized at St EAS)

REGISTRATION FORM DUE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 31<sup>st</sup>  
EARLY BIRD TUITION DISCOUNT APPLIES UNTIL AUGUST 3<sup>rd</sup>

PLEASE FILL OUT A SEPARATE PAGE FOR EACH STUDENT BEING ENROLLED

FAMILY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE IN FALL 2017: \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE GRADES OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND/OR RELIIGIOUS EDUCATION COMPLETED: K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

DATE

CHURCH WHERE SACRAMENT WAS CELEBRATED & ADDRESS:

BAPTISM: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Please enclose a copy of teen's Baptismal certificate unless he/she was baptized at ST. EAS.

RECONCILIATION: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

1<sup>ST</sup> COMMUNION: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

## #####PHOTO OPT OUT OPTION#####

Pictures are regularly taken of teens on service projects and retreats. Photos are placed on our Parish Website and Facebook page. To date, we are not aware of any problems that have occurred with this policy, but if you wish that your teen NOT be in any photos online. Please check here:

## #####MEDICAL INFORMATON #####

ANY INFORMATION PROVIDED WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL

Does the teen named on form require any special attention regarding the areas listed below?

### ALLERGIES \*

\_\_\_ Food  
\_\_\_ Medication  
\_\_\_ Bee stings  
\_\_\_ Other

### ILLNESSES \*

\_\_\_ Asthma  
\_\_\_ Seizures  
\_\_\_ Physical Limitations  
\_\_\_ Other

### SPECIAL LEARNING NEEDS \*

\_\_\_ ADD or ADHD  
\_\_\_ Behavior Disorder  
\_\_\_ Learning Disorder  
\_\_\_ Hearing/Vision Limitations  
\_\_\_ Reading/Writing Limitations  
\_\_\_ Speech Limitations

\*Please explain any checked above: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your teen take any medications that we should be aware of? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

# Confirmation Year 1

## 2018-19 group choice form

**Register Now to get your first choice of session time!**

Please remember that we assign small groups on a first come, first served basis. Once a group/session time is full, teens will be assigned to the other session.

**\*\*\*There will be a program meeting and session for teens and parents on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 pm in Seton Hall\*\*\***

**Please complete and return this form with your registration forms**

**Small group session times: *(check all that work for you)***

1:00-2:30 pm

4:00-5:30 pm

**I would like to be placed in a Small Group with:**

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**(we will make every attempt to place students together who have requested each other and requested the same session time)**