



§ 1900 SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR ADOLESCENT CANDIDATES SEEKING CONFIRMATION

§ 1900.1 Confirmation Readiness

1900.1 Particular Law – Sacramental preparation for adolescent candidates seeking Confirmation shall be a formative process constituting a segment in the lifelong formation for children and adolescents from the age of reason to 17 years having already received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist.

§ 1900.2 Program Uniformity

1900.2 Particular Law – The length of parish sacramental preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation shall be a minimum of two years for adolescent candidates excluding those participating in the Rite for Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program.

§ 1900.3 Community Responsibility

1900.3 Particular Law – To the fullest extent possible the parish community consisting of clergy, parents, sponsors, family members, catechetical leaders, catechists, and parishioners shall actively participate in the sacramental preparation.

§ 1900.4 Missionary Service

1900.4 Particular Law – Confirmation preparation shall include service initiatives that foster missionary discipleship through the integration of community outreach and evangelization.

§ 1900.5 Annual Retreat

1900.5 Particular Law – Confirmation preparation shall include designated time reserved for prayer, reflection, and discernment which may be in the form of an annual retreat.

General Instructions for § 1900

The Office of Lifelong Formation shall establish common standards for proficiency of sacramental preparation for Confirmation at the parish level. See Archdiocesan Confirmation Policies and Guidelines at pvm.archchicago.org/lifelong-formation/confirmation-policy.