



24 March 2025

Dear FIRE 1 Confirmation Families::

I hope the days of Lent have been good ones for you and your family! The journey of Lent is a good symbol of your journey towards the Sacrament of Confirmation.

PLEASE READ THE ATTACHED MESSAGE CAREFULLY. There are important dates and reminders you need to be aware of. Failure to follow up may result in the need to repeat Fire I for you and your family.

Workbook/Journals were due on March 20. In the spirit of Lenten mercy, we will extend the deadline to May 8, 2025, though, of course, we encourage you to submit them as soon as possible.

As we have mentioned many times, **the completed Year 1 journal** is a key component to the curriculum and you have been able to work on these since last Summer. A student **will not** be able to proceed to Fire Year 2 if not submitted. If you have any concerns, please contact us immediately.

Attendance. We have **only 3 sessions remaining**; April 3, April 24 and May 8. Please remember that our attendance policy only allows 2 absences. Upon the 3rd absence, families will be notified that their child will need to repeat the session in the Fall.

- **A Parent Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 3 at 7:15pm.** For your convenience, the meeting will take place while your child attends class. This is a slight time change from what was in the Journal.
- **Confirmation Sponsors are expected to attend the session on April 24.** Please be sure that your child has selected a **Confirmation Sponsor**. See pages 29-30 in the Workbook/Journal for guidelines on selecting a Sponsor.

Service. Please continue to check the service form. While it does fill quickly, it will be updated regularly throughout the Spring and Summer. This is a great way to give back to our parish community! We do our best to provide in parish service activities as a courtesy but students are free to submit out of parish service that has been signed off by a leader of the service activity.

Reconciliation was celebrated on Tuesday, March 11 for several groups. The next groups scheduled are as follows:

- **Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00pm** in the Church on Post Avenue for the remaining small groups (Students must be accompanied by an adult):
Group Leaders: Virginia Spatafora, Yvette Gomez, Debbie Salandy, Joan Napolitano, Katherine Juarez, Father John Sureau, STBOLH, Private Schools

If your child could not attend on March 11, please attend with them on April 8.

As Fr. John has shared, due to the expiration of his R-1 Visa, **Fr. Andres** will be forced to return to Colombia for at least one year. Please join us on **Thursday, April 10 at 7pm** as we wish Fr. Andres a safe journey and show our appreciation for his presence here at St. Brigid's. It's also his 40th birthday- so let's celebrate the gift he has been to us here! See the bulletin and website for more information.

May our Lenten journey bring us all closer to the heart of Jesus...

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Vince Buzzeo".

Vince Buzzeo

Director of Confirmation Preparation