



15 December 2025

We are all meant to be mothers of God.
What good is it to me if this eternal birth of the divine Son takes place unceasingly,
but does not take place within myself?
– Meister Eckhart
(13th-14th century Dominican theologian and mystic)

Dear FIRE 1 Confirmation Family:

As we enter this third week in Advent, I share the quote above for your reflection. Meister Eckhart's words remind us of our call to **make Jesus known** in our daily lives. Whether it is in our homes, our neighborhoods, our workplaces, with our friends and family, on the field, in the checkout line, or even—and perhaps most challenging—while navigating traffic on Old Country Road, let's step up to the invitation to reveal His presence in our world.

On **Thursday, December 18**, students will “Meet Jesus in the Gospels” with a presentation from Deacon Frank Pesce. We will then take a break for Christmas and resume on **Thursday, January 15 at 7pm** for our next required session for students, where we will welcome Vincent Whitfield from the Religious Studies Department at St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School, to help us “Meet Jesus Who is Mystery (Human & Divine.)”

I'd like to invite your family to join us for the **9:15am Mass on Sunday, January 4** in the chapel. This will be a Mass focused on students preparing for Confirmation followed by Coffee Hour in Code Auditorium. Students are asked to bring canned soup, Ramen or cup of soup for donation to our Food Pantry.

Please be aware that your child has a **required reading plan** that can be found beginning on page 30 in their journal workbooks. They should be reading the assigned scripture and answering one of the reflection questions **BEFORE** each session they attend on Thursday evenings. These are short passages that will enable them to have a more engaging discussion in their small groups each week.

Your child should be actively working to complete all components in the **Journal Workbook**. The completed Journal Workbook is required for moving on to the second Year of Confirmation Preparation (Fire 2). In addition, don't forget to check the St. Brigid Service Activity Form. The QR Code is found to the right.

Wishing your family a Blessed Advent and Joyous Christmas!

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

Vince Buzzeo

Director of Confirmation Preparation





FIRE Year 1 2025-2026 Calendar

January

1/15, 1/29

Grade Level Liturgy: Sunday, 1/4 at 9:15am (chapel)

February

2/12

ACTIVITY- Date To Be Announced

March

3/15, 3/18

Reconciliation - 3/3 OR 3/16 at 7 p.m. - Church - Groups to be assigned. Students must be accompanied by an adult.

April

4/16, 4/30

Parent Meeting: Wednesday, 4/22 at 7:15pm

May

5/14 SNOW DAY Make-up session if necessary

