

Candidate Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

# Confirmation Checklist

Below are the things St. Anastasia requires of every Confirmation Candidate during their 9<sup>th</sup> grade preparation process. Check each box as you complete the requirement and provide the information requested. The candidate, sponsor, and parent signatures are required. ***This checklist is DUE on OR before Sunday, February 28, 2016.***

- ☐ Attendance to ALL Sunday Chosen Sessions.
  - Make-up sessions are offered monthly (based on catechist availability), contact Elizabeth for make-up dates.
- ☐ Choose a Confirmation Name by **December 6, 2015** – see attached form.
- ☐ Choose and name your Confirmation Sponsor by **December 6, 2015** – see attached form.
  - o Meeting with your Sponsor before Christmas 2015.
  - o Meeting with your Sponsor between January 1, 2016 and **February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016**.
- ☐ Complete the Archdiocese of Detroit's workshop for teens titled "Called to Serve" – offered by St. Anastasia on **January 9, 2016 (9:00a – 12:00p)**. If unable to attend please contact Elizabeth Spencer.
  - o Date: \_\_\_\_\_
  - o Location: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Submit the permission slip for the Confirmation Retreat on or before Sunday, **January 10, 2016**.
- ☐ Attend one of the St. Anastasia Confirmation Retreats. If for a family conflict you are unable to attend the retreat there are other retreat options – please speak with Elizabeth Spencer. **Please indicate** which retreat you attended below.
  - o St. Anastasia Retreat – Feb. 5-6
  - o St. Anastasia Retreat – Feb. 6-7
  - o Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation before **March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2016** – this is strongly encouraged by the Church before receiving any of the other Sacraments.
- ☐ Submit a Bishop Letter stating why you'd like to be Confirmed in the Catholic Church by **February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. We prefer that you write them after attending the Confirmation Retreat. Further instructions will be provided.
- ☐ **SERVICE REQUIREMENTS** – a 250+ word reflection is required for **each** service experience. These experiences must take place during their 9<sup>th</sup> grade year. **Prompt questions for reflections are:** *What was the experience like? How does this relate to my faith?* – attach your reflections to this checklist. ***Due within 2 weeks of event.***
  - o **Social** (attend a BASIC social event through Church, **Kick-off party not included**)
    - Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
  - o **Liturgical** (Mass Greeter or Altar Server – can sign up as a class)
    - Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Mass Time: Sat. 4:00p / Sun. 8:15a, 10:15a, 12:15p or 5:00p
  - o **Social Justice** (any Christian Service outreach – many opportunities offered by BASIC)
    - Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
  - o **Praise and Worship** (either here through St. As or one offered elsewhere in the AoD)
    - Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## SIGNATURES

Candidate Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DUE ON OR BEFORE SUNDAY, February 28, 2016**

# Chosen

## Candidate & Sponsor Information

**So that certificates may be filled out properly, please complete every line of this form using the FULL, LEGAL names of each candidate.**

**PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON OR BEFORE SUNDAY, December 6, 2015.**

**You may turn these forms in at the regular Sunday morning session OR you may drop it off in the Religious Education Office or mail it to:**

St. Anastasia Catholic Church  
Religious Education Office  
4571 John R ~ Troy, MI 48085

### **9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Candidate Information**

**PLEASE PRINT NEATLY**

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

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (goes by: \_\_\_\_\_)

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

\*\*If there is a legal middle name, please spell it out – do NOT put the initial only

**Chosen CONFIRMATION NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

This is typically a RECOGNIZED Saint's name. If this is left blank, it will be assumed that the candidate will use his/her own first name as their Confirmation name

### **Confirmation SPONSOR Information**

**PLEASE PRINT NEATLY**

\*\* A sponsor is an active, participating Catholic over the age of 16 who has been confirmed and is living out their Catholic faith

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

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

Relation to Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

If a PARENT is presenting their child for Confirmation (*rather than choosing a Sponsor*), place the name of the parent here: Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**DUE ON OR BEFORE SUNDAY, December 6, 2015**

# ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

## PARENT PERMISSION FORM

### Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Your son/daughter is eligible to participate in a religious formation activity requiring transportation to a location away from parish facilities. This activity will take place under the guidance and the supervision of staff from **St. Anastasia Parish**. A brief description of the activity follows:

Name of Event St. Anastasia Confirmation Retreat  
Destination Walled Lake Outdoor Ed Center [3577 Sleeth Court Commerce Twp, MI 48382]  
Designated Administrator of Activity Elizabeth Spencer [248-840-7671]  
DATE & TIME: There are two options for the retreat – please mark your choice below & on your calendar  
Method of Transportation: BUS

If you would like your son/daughter to participate in this event, please complete, sign and return the bottom half of this statement of consent and release of liability along with \$8 for a t-shirt to the Parish Offices on or before **Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. As parent or legal guardian, you remain fully responsible for the actions and conduct of your teen.

**IF YOUR CHILD CANNOT ATTEND, PLEASE CONTACT ELIZABETH TODAY** – [espencer@stanastasia.org](mailto:espencer@stanastasia.org)

Please note, there is an additional cost for T-shirts!

***Please return to bottom portion of this page ONLY!***

### Confirmation Retreat

### STATEMENT OF CONSENT

I hereby consent to participation by my teen, \_\_\_\_\_ in the event described above scheduled for **Feb. 5-6, 2016 or Feb. 6-7, 2016**. I understand that this event will take place away from the parish grounds and that my teen will be under the supervision of the designated parish employee on the stated dates. I further consent to the conditions stated above on participation in this event, including the method of transportation.

In consideration of my child being allowed to participate in this event, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless **St. Anastasia Parish, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit** and any affiliated organizations, its/their employees, agents, representatives, volunteers and drivers, from any and all claims I or my child may have, excluding claims for intentional misconduct or gross negligence, arising from or relating to my child's participation in this event. In the event this release on behalf of myself and/or my child is held to be invalid or unenforceable, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees from any and all claims, including negligence, which may be asserted by me or my child, or on behalf of my child, arising from or relating to my child's participation in the field trip. This release or indemnification does not apply to claims for intentional misconduct or gross negligence; nor does this release or indemnification apply to the extent of commercial insurance coverage for any claim, but this Release or Indemnification shall apply to the extent of any self-insurance or deductible applicable to any claim.

I authorize St. Anastasia Parish to obtain necessary medical treatment for my teen in case of illness, injury or accident. My teen has the following medical conditions or allergies (medicinal or food) about which a health care provider should be told \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s) where you can be reached during this event \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print** Parent/Legal Guardian's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature** of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE**

**t- shirt size** (please circle): **S M L XL XXL** (adult sizes) – \$8 each

### **RETREAT OPTIONS:** *There are 40 spots available for each retreat – it is first come first served.*

\_\_\_\_ Friday, Feb. 5 at 3:45p thru Saturday, Feb 6, 2016 at 3:45p

\_\_\_\_ Saturday, Feb. 6 at 3:45p thru Sunday, Feb 7, 2016 at 3:45p

**RETURN THIS FORM (and \$8) TO the Religious Education Office or your catechist ON OR BEFORE Sunday, January 10, 2016**

# 2015-16 INSTRUCTIONS FOR WRITING YOUR “REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION” LETTER

aka: “Bishop Letter”

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ALL CANDIDATES ARE **REQUIRED** TO WRITE A LETTER TO  
Bishop Michael Byrnes , WHO WILL CONFIRM THEM

*Most Candidates find it helpful to write this letter after they have  
experienced the Confirmation Retreat.*

1. Please **TYPE** your letter using the name/address listed here for the Bishop.
  2. Please **SIGN** your letter in cursive, followed by your typewritten name.
  3. Please **RETURN** your letter to your catechist **NO LATER THAN – February 28, 2016** (at the next Confirmation Session).
  4. Please **do not place your letter in an envelope**. All letters are placed in a binder for the Monsignor for his convenience – so that he doesn’t have to open 100 envelopes to get at the letters.
  5. When using the words **Catholic, Confirmation, God** and **Mass** – please capitalize the first letter of each of these words.
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Here is how you will address your letter requesting Confirmation:

Bishop Michael J. Byrnes  
23965 23 Mile Rd  
Macomb Twp., MI 48042

Dear Most Reverend Michael Byrnes,

(In your own words, write a letter requesting Confirmation. The letter can be based on the answers to the following questions:

- What are the reasons you want to be confirmed?
- What part of the preparation process was most helpful to you?
- When confirmed, what difference will you make? (Personal growth in your relationship to God, service to others, doing God’s work in the world...)

This letter should be well thought out and at least a couple paragraphs in length. Ask your sponsor or parent to read through with you before turning it in.)

Sincerely,

*John Smith*

John Smith

**RETURN THE LETTER TO YOUR CATECHIST BY Sunday, Feb. 28, 2016**

# Praise and Worship Opportunities

## What is Praise and Worship?

St. Anastasia offers Praise and Worship about once a month. This night consists of praise and worship music led by members of our Youth Band, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and a brief story from one of our Parishioners (or priests). We will also be offering the opportunity for reconciliation during these nights.

These type of nights are also offered at a number of other Parishes throughout the Archdiocese. They will have slightly different formats and styles, but each is an opportunity to encounter Christ more deeply and to take time to sit in His presence, enjoy some great music, and even carve out some family time.

## Opportunities at St. Anastasia

Takes place in the Church, starting promptly at 7p. There will be light refreshments and time for socializing afterward in the gathering space.

DAY	DATE	TIME
Thurs.	Oct. 8	7:00p – 8:00p
Thurs.	Jan. 7	7:00p – 8:00p
Thurs.	Feb. 4	7:00p – 8:00p
Thurs.	Mar. 3	7:00p – 8:00p
Thurs.	Apr. 7	7:00p – 8:00p
Thurs.	May 5	7:00p – 8:00p

## Awaken Ministries

[www.awakenministry.org](http://www.awakenministry.org)

DAY	DATE	TIME	Location
Sun.	Oct. 18	7:00 – 8:30p	St. Paul of Tarsus, Clinton Twp.
Sun.	Nov. 15	7:00 – 8:30p	St. Paul of Tarsus, Clinton Twp.
Fri.	Dec. 4	7:30 – 9:00p	Shrine Parish, Royal Oak
Fri.	Jan. 8	7:30 – 9:00p	Shrine Parish, Royal Oak
Fri.	Feb. 5	7:30 – 9:00p	Shrine Parish, Royal Oak
Sun.	Apr. 17	7:00 – 8:30p	St. Regis, Bloomfield Hills
Sun.	May. 15	7:00 – 8:00p	St. Regis, Bloomfield Hills

## Come, Encounter Christ!

<http://www.aod.org/Being-Catholic/Evangelization/Come-Encounter-Christ/>

DAY	DATE	TIME	Location
Sun. - Tues	Oct. 18 - Oct. 20	7:00 – 8:30p	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Troy
Wed - Fri	Nov. 11 – Nov. 13	7:00 – 8:30p	St. Malachy, Sterling Heights
Sun. – Tues.	Dec. 13 – Dec. 15	7:00 – 8:30p	St. Matthew, Detroit
Sun. – Tues.	Jan. 10 – Jan. 12	7:00 – 8:30p	Our Lady LaSalette, Berkley
Sun. – Tues.	Feb. 21 – Feb. 23	7:00 – 8:30p	Our Lady-Sorrows, Farmington
Sun. – Tues.	Mar. 13 – Mar. 15	7:00 – 8:30p	St. Hugo, Bloomfield Hills

# Service Reflection Guide

Your service project reflection should be about a half page (TYPED) and turned in two weeks after the project. I need to know what your service project was, and what category it falls under (social, liturgical, social justice, P&W). Below are some ideas to help you get started writing your reflection. You don't have to use them all (or any), think of them more as a guide if you don't know where to start! Please don't forget to put your name on your reflection!

My service project was to.....

I chose this because....

This met/didn't meet my expectations because....

Through this I have learned....

Doing this event has helped me to appreciate...

I saw Christ through....

The people I worked with taught me...

This project taught me...

I plan to follow up this project by....

Turn them in to your catechist, or email them to [espencer@stanastasia.org](mailto:espencer@stanastasia.org) (no Google docs, attachments only please!)