# St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2021-2022

#### **Dear Parents and Confirmation Candidates,**

Greetings in the name of our Lord!

We became children of God through baptism. In the sacrament of Holy Eucharist, we receive the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Sacrament of Confirmation is where the Holy Spirit imprints His character in our soul, thus completing our Christian initiation, and empowers us to be witnesses to Christ. After Confirmation, we are completely and fully a member of His Church.

On behalf of St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Parish, I encourage you to prepare yourself with an open mind and heart for the reception of this sacrament. Our parish's Confirmation Program is carefully designed to address the fundamental questions of life and faith and provide opportunities to engage each candidate's learning through group discussions, prayer, and reflection. The goal of our program is to enrich our candidates' understanding of Salvation and shape their hearts to desire a deeper relationship with our Lord and strive to be His saints for the 21st century.

We will conduct all Sunday classes in person (either in the main chapel or basement hall), with social distancing measures in place, until the need arises for us to go back to Zoom. Parents and sponsors are required to attend Evening Sessions with their children (see Father Philip's Time Sessions in the Schedule) for formation which will be done on Zoom.

Please note that in order to offset the costs of materials and resources, including *The Catholic Youth Bible* which every candidate will receive and will use throughout the course, there will be a fee of **\$50.00**. We kindly ask you to submit a **cheque** to the Parish Office before the first class *payable to* <u>St. Agnes Tsao Catholic Church</u>. [Memo: Confirmation 2022 Fee, Name of Candidate].

Once again, we welcome all of you, our new Confirmandi! Indeed, it is our joy to journey with you as you prepare for this sacrament. This will be a period of spiritual maturing for you, and the fruits of this journey will depend on your openness and commitment. May God bless you all as you begin your journey to deepen your discipleship in Him!

If you have any questions, please call us at the parish office at (905) 887-7922 or contact our Youth Minister Katie Zou at youthminister.satcc@gmail.com.

God's Blessing upon you all,

Rev. Thomas Loh, Pastor

### St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church

## Confirmation Classes & Preparation Sessions Schedule 2021-22

DATE	TIME	SESSION / CLASS
Wed, Nov 3	8PM	Father Philip's Time Session I:
		Introduction to the Sacrament of Confirmation
		How to Select a Sponsor
		Parents + Confirmandi
Sun, Nov 7	3:30PM-5PM	Class 1: Who Are You, God? How Do You Reveal Yourself?
Sun, Nov 21	3:30PM-5PM	Class 2: What's Your Greatest Desire, God?
Sun, Dec 5	3:30PM-5PM	Class 3: Why Do We Sin, God?
Sun, Dec 19	3:30PM-5PM	Class 4: Who is Jesus?
		(The Person and Mission of Christ)
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!		
Sun, Jan 9	3:30PM-5PM	Class 5: Why be Catholic?
		(The Church and Sacraments)
Sun, Jan 23	3:30PM-5PM	Class 6: Confirmation Part 1: Who Are You, Holy Spirit?
Wed, Jan 26	8PM	Father Philip's Time Session II:
		The Holy Spirit and the Vocation of the Sponsor
		Parents + Sponsors
Sun, Feb 6	3:30PM-5PM	Class 7: Confirmation Part 2: The 7 Gifts
Family Day Long Weekend (Saturday Feb 19—Monday Feb 21)		
Sun, Feb 27	3:30PM-5PM	Class 8: Confirmation Part 3: Prayer and the 12 Fruits
March Break (Monday Mar 14—Friday Mar 18)		
Sun, Mar 20	3:30PM-5PM	Class 9: Confirmation Part 4: The Rite of Confirmation
Sun, Apr 3	3:30PM-5PM	Class 10: Called to Holiness Part 1: The Eucharist
Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter Sunday (Sunday, Apr 10—Sunday Apr 17)		
Sun, Apr 24	3:30PM-5PM	Class 11: Called to Holiness Part 2: The Destination
		(The 4 Last Things; Sacraments of Healing)
Wed, May 4	8PM	Father Philip's Time Session III:
		Life After Confirmation
		Parents + Confirmandi + Sponsors
Sun, May 8	3:30PM-5PM	Class 12: Called to Holiness Part 3: Living Out Holiness
		(Vocation; Sacraments of Mission)
TBD	TBD	CONFESSION
		Confirmandi
TBD	TBD	CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL/ MASS
		Confirmandi + Parents + Sponsors

### **Registration Instructions: Confirmation Candidate**

- 1. Read the Opening Letter and Schedule (above).
- 2. Download and fill out the <u>Registration PDF Form</u>. Send the completed form to Katie Zou at <u>youthminister.satcc@gmail.com</u>. **Due Friday, Oct 22, 2021**.
- 3. Scan and submit the following <u>Certificates</u> to Katie Zou at <u>youthminister.satcc@gmail.com</u>. Subject line: "[Candidate's Name] Confirmation Certificates". <u>Due Saturday</u>, Nov 6, 2021.
  - a. For Confirmation Candidate:
    - i. Baptismal Certificate
    - ii. First Holy Communion Certificate
- 4. On the week before Class 1 (Tuesday, Nov 2—Friday, Nov 5) at the Parish Office:
  - a. Submit the \$50.00 fee. Cheque only.
    - i. Payable to St. Agnes Tsao Catholic Church
    - ii. Memo: Confirmation Fee 2022 [Candidate's First and Last Name]
  - b. Once the fee is submitted, pick up your copy of The Catholic Youth Bible.
    - \*Parish Office is open Tuesday to Friday @10am to 4pm. If you cannot make the regular office hours, please call the parish at: 905-887-7922.

### After the First Class: Sponsor Registration

- 5. Before Christmas, please select a Sponsor/Godparent. Send all forms and certificates to Katie Zou at youthminister.satcc@gmail.com. Due Sunday, Dec 19, 2021.
  - a. Fill out Sponsor Declaration PDF Form (to be sent to you via email)
  - b. Submit the following certificates for the Sponsor:
    - i. Baptismal Certificate + Confirmation Certificate (if separate)
    - ii. If married: Marriage Certificate (long form)