St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2025-2026

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 catechesis, prayer, and faith in action. 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. Parents, please note that there are 3 Evening Sessions (see schedule) which will require you and the sponsor's presence (as indicated).

Please note that to offset the costs of class materials and retreat resources, including *The Catholic Youth Bible* which every candidate will receive and will use throughout the course, there will be a fee of **\$65.00**. We kindly ask you to submit a **cheque** at the **1**st **Evening Session** payable to <u>St. Agnes Tsao Catholic Church</u>. [Memo: Confirmation 2025-26 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. Francis Chong, Pastor

St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church Confirmation 2025-26 Registration Instructions

DATE	TIME	SESSION / CLASS
Tues, Sept 16	8PM	Evening Session I (Parents + Confirmandi)
		Introduction to the Sacrament of Confirmation
		How to Select a Sponsor
		Submission of Registration Forms, Certificates, and \$65.00 Fee
		Distribution of Sponsor Declaration Forms
Sun, Oct 5	2PM Mass	Form of Intent (Confirmandi submit signed Form of Intent at Mass)
Sun, Oct 5	3:30PM-5PM	Class 1: Who Are You, God? How Do You Reveal Yourself?
Sun, Oct 19	3:30PM-5PM	Class 2: What's Your Greatest Desire, God?
Sun, Nov 2	3:30PM-5PM	Class 3: Why Do We Sin, God?
Sun, Nov 16	3:30PM-5PM	Class 4: Who is Jesus?
		(The Person and Mission of Christ)
Sun, Nov 30	3:30PM-5PM	Class 5: Why be Catholic?
		(The Church and Sacraments)
Sun, Dec 7	3:30PM-5PM	Class 6: Confirmation Part 1: Who Are You, Holy Spirit?
		Sponsor Declaration Forms + Certificates Due
		MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!
Sun, Jan 11	3:30PM-5PM	Class 7: Confirmation Part 2: The 7 Gifts
		Sponsor Interview Assignment sent out to students
Tues, Jan 13	8PM	Evening Session II (Parents + Sponsors)
		The Holy Spirit and the Vocation of the Sponsor
Sun, Jan 25	3:30PM-5PM	Class 8: Confirmation Part 3: Prayer and the 12 Fruits
		Sponsor Interview Assignment due
Sun, Feb 8	3:30PM-5PM	Class 9: Confirmation Part 4: The Rite of Confirmation
		Confirmation Name Assignment distributed to students
	FAMILY DAY	LONG WEEKEND (SATURDAY FEB 14—MONDAY FEB 16)
Sun, Feb 22	3:30PM-5PM	Class 10: Called to Holiness Part 1: The Eucharist
Sun, Mar 8	3:30PM-5PM	Class 11: Called to Holiness Part 2: The Destination
		(The 4 Last Things; Sacraments of Healing)
		Confirmation Name Assignment Due
	MAR	CH BREAK (MONDAY MAR 16—FRIDAY MAR 20)
Sun, Mar 22	3:30PM-5PM	Class 12: Called to Holiness Part 3: Living Out Holiness
		(Vocation; Sacraments of Mission)
Tues, Mar 24	8PM	Evening Session III (Parents + Confirmandi + Sponsors)
		Life After Confirmation
		Y WEEK, EASTER SUNDAY (SUNDAY, APR 13—SUNDAY APR 20)
Sat, Apr 11	9AM-3:30PM	RETREAT (Confirmandi)
Sun, May 3	3:30PM	CONFESSION (Confirmandi)
Wed, May 6	7:30PM	CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL
		Confirmandi + Parents + Sponsors
Sun, May 10	2PM (arrive	CONFIRMATION MASS
	1:30PM)	Confirmandi + Parents + Sponsors

St. Agnes Kouying Tsao Catholic Church Confirmation 2024-25 Registration Instructions

A. Registration Instructions: Confirmation Candidate

- 1. Read the Opening Letter and Schedule (above).
- 2. Register. Download and fill out the Registration PDF Form.
- 3. Attend Registration Night (Evening Session I) on Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 8pm. Have the following ready to submit:
 - a. Registration Form, printed, filled and signed.
 - b. A copy of the candidate's **Baptism** and **First Communion certificates**.
 - c. The \$65.00 fee. Cheque only.
 - i. Payable to St. Agnes Tsao Catholic Church
 - ii. Memo: Confirmation Fee 2025-26 [Candidate's First and Last Name] Once the fee is submitted, pick up a copy of *The Catholic Youth Bible*.
- 4. Form of Intent. Parents and Confirmandi must <u>print out and sign</u> the <u>Form of Intent</u> (last page) that officially states the candidate's intention to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. On <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 5</u>, <u>2025</u>, attend <u>2PM English Mass</u> as a family. During the Mass, the priest will ask all Confirmation Candidates to submit the signed Form of Intent.
 - a. First class will begin at 3:30PM.

B. Registration Instructions: Sponsor

- The Sponsor Declaration Form will be distributed at Registration Night (Evening Session I) on Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 8pm.
- 6. Before Christmas, please select a Sponsor/Godparent. Due Sunday, Dec 7, 2025 (start of Class 6). At the beginning of class, please submit the following:
 - a. **Sponsor Declaration Form**, filled and signed.
 - b. A copy of the following certificates:
 - i. Baptismal Certificate + Confirmation Certificate (if separate)
 - ii. <u>If married</u>: Marriage Certificate (long form)

CONFIRMATION

Form of Intent

I,_	, ask that my Parish community of St. Agnes
KOI	uying Tsao, accept and help me with their prayers, and my commitment to prepare worthily for the reception of
	the Sacrament of Confirmation
As a	candidate for Confirmation, I promise the following:
✓	I will attend Mass every Sunday and on all Holy Days of Obligation
✓	I will approach my Confirmation journey with an open mind and open heart
	o I will attend and will fully participate in all sessions and classes
	 I will be respectful of the leaders and facilitators of the program and show appreciation for their time and effort
	o I will love and encourage those in my class who are on the journey with me
✓	I will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before my Confirmation
✓	I will accept more responsibility in my family, parish, and community by putting my talents and gifts at the service of others
✓	I will commit to daily prayer, praying especially for increase in faith, hope, and love in my Lord Jesus Christ.
-	May Mother Mary pray for me and with me as I prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.
<u>;</u>	Confirmandi Signature Parents' Signatures