

Sacramental Information

Confirmation SY 2023-2024

ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH, BURLINGTON

As a parent of a child in Grade 7 at one of our affiliated schools, we ask that you review this letter in its entirety. It is important that all requirements be completed and submitted to the church on the Sacramental Registration dates noted below.

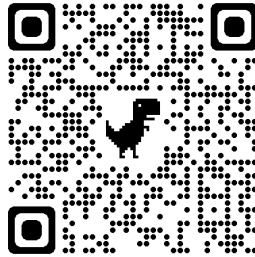
A. Sacramental Registration

The sacrament of Confirmation will take place this school year for eligible Grade 7 students. In order for your child to participate, we ask parents to complete a 2-part process.

PART 1: Fill-out the Online Registration Form

To register, please scan the following QR code or use this link:

<https://forms.gle/uGoX99PBmniCXSGR8>



If you are having any difficulty accessing the registration form, you may also download a pdf copy from our website (www.stpaultheapostleburlington.com) and email the completed form to sacramentalprep@stpaultheapostleburlington.com. You may also pick-up a paper form from the parish office during [office hours](#).

PART 2: Submit Documents at the In-Person Registration/Verification

To complete registration, please submit the following documents in person. Note that schools will NOT collect these documents.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- Photocopy of your child's Baptism Certificate
- Translation of Child's Baptismal Certificate (if in another language)
- Registration form (ONLY if you opted for the pdf or paper copy)

In-person registration will happen at the dates and times noted below. You only need to **drop-in** once and children are not required to attend. At this time, we will have volunteers who will verify the child's baptism information and answer any questions. We will also have important materials to hand out. Please note that your registration will only be processed upon submission of a valid Baptismal Certificate.

IN-PERSON SACRAMENTAL REGISTRATION DATES:

October 12, 2023, *drop-in between 5PM - 7PM; OR*
October 14, 2023, *drop-in between 10AM - 12PM*

IMPORTANT NOTES:

If your child is NOT planning to participate in the sacrament, there is no further action needed on your end. Please note that some sacramental preparation will take place at the school as part of the students' Religion curriculum.

If your child was Baptized in an Orthodox or Eastern Rite church, and was Confirmed at Baptism, he/she does not receive this sacrament again.

If your child was Baptized but has not yet received First Holy Communion, please contact the parish office as more preparation is required.

If your child is not baptized Roman Catholic and you wish to have your child receive the sacrament you must contact the Sacramental Preparation Coordinator, Mrs. Melanie Gaddi*, immediately to make the proper arrangements.

Sacramental Preparation Materials

At the In-person Registration, sacramental preparation materials will be provided at no cost. Additionally, other books/booklets will be available for sale (limited quantities only). Prices range between \$5 and \$15. For payment, we accept cash, cheques (Payable to St. Paul the Apostle Parish) or e-transfer to paul22@cogeco.ca.



B. Sacramental Preparation

Throughout the year, there will be several touchpoints to help prepare your child for the reception of the sacrament. The first one is a **Parent & Child Meeting** to be held on **October 25, 2023 at 6:30PM**. Attendance by the child and one or both parents is very important.

At the meeting, we will share important information about the online booking process to choose the date of celebration of the sacrament, the Confirmation retreat, rehearsal and other details.

C. Sacramental Celebration Dates

Our Grade 7s will be celebrating the sacrament with their families at one of the following dates. *You will be advised at the Parent & Child meeting on how to book online to choose the date/time that works best for your family.*

CONFIRMATION Celebration DATES:

January 25, 2024, 7PM
January 26, 2024, 7PM
January 27, 2024, 11AM
January 27, 2024, 1PM

For any questions or concerns, please contact:

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