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Greetings in Christ Jesus to all our Confirmation Families,

We hope you are having a very blessed summer!

In just a few short weeks, St. Raphael's teens will begin the formation process towards the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation. At St Raphael, the Confirmation Formation Program is called ROC (Rite of Confirmation). Parents, the Sacrament of Confirmation is part of fulfilling the promise that you made at your child's Baptism. We are excited to be working with each of you at this special time in the life of your child. All Confirmation students will be confirmed on May 22nd, 2021, if everything goes according to plan.

Here are a few important pieces of information about the Sacrament of Confirmation:

1. Only registered St. Raphael parishioners can enroll in the ROC Confirmation program. We encourage anyone who is not a registered parishioner at St. Raphael to register in the Confirmation Formation program of their home parish.
Link to register : <https://forms.gle/ibpNfvezhD6H5s1G7>
2. This letter is part of the **Faith Formation Registration Packet**.
3. **It is very important that all 8th grade teens entering ROC Confirmation at St. Raphael are registered with Faith Formation Office no later Friday August 30, 2020.**
4. Proof of Baptism will be required for any teen not baptized at the Church St. Raphael. Baptismal Certificates must be dated no earlier than December 22, 2020 and must be received prior to reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation.
5. **There is an important Parent & Teen Confirmation Information Meeting on Wednesday, September 9th at 7:00 PM in Marian Hall.** We ask that the candidate and at least one parent be present at this meeting. You will...
 - review the Confirmation Formation Process at St Raphael including retreats, sponsors, community service, content and materials used in our program
 - meet with your ROC small group and small group leader for the first time, and learn about your small group meeting locations for the upcoming year
6. See the enclosed calendar for the 8th Grade Confirmation Formation year. Confirmation Candidates are expected to attend the Confirmation Retreat and **ALL** scheduled Wednesday night dates on the calendar.

Covid-19(SARS-CoV-2) Notes: The current plan is to meet in person, with proper guidelines as directed by the Archbishop. Other options will be available as the need presents itself.

We look forward to meeting you on September 11th.

Sincerely yours in Christ JESUS, through His dear Mother Mary, all in union with Saint Joseph, Terror of Demons,

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