



# St. Laurence's Confirmation Candidates 2021 - 2022

**Where: Saint Laurence Parish Hall, Cambridge**

**Sessions Last 90 minutes long; Ablaze Mass 5pm – 6pm**

Oct 17 12pm – 1:30pm	Session 1 – Getting to know You (Chpt 1) What We Know About God (Chpt 2)
Nov 7 3:30 - 6pm	Garden Clean Up Project – families invited as well. This is the 1 <sup>st</sup> Service Project for our Parish Community. ABLAZE
Session 2 Nov – 28 12pm – 1:30pm	Why the World is Broken (Chpt 3)
ABLAZE – Dec 5 3:30 - 6pm	Make Christmas Cards for the SVP group- 2 <sup>nd</sup> Service Project for the wider Cambridgeshire Community
Session 3 – Dec 12 12pm – 1:30pm	Jesus – More than a Mere Man (Chpt 4)
CHRISTMAS EVE 3:30pm – 6pm	Help with Children’s Christmas Eve Mass
ABLAZE – Jan 2 5 – 6pm	
Session 4 – Jan 16 12pm – 1:30pm	Why Did Jesus Have to Die? (Chpt 5)
ABLAZE – Feb 6 3:30 - 6pm	Praying – (Chpt. 8) Families encouraged to also attend
Session 5 – Feb 27 12pm – 1:30pm	And the Comeback of Jesus... (Chpt 6)
ASH WEDNESDAY	March 2



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ABLAZE – March 6 3:30 - 6pm	Eucharist – Reminder of Mass (Chpt. 10)
March 18, Friday	Confession/Stations of the Cross/Fish Fry (Chpt. 11)
Session 6 – March 20 12pm – 1:30pm	In search of the Holy Spirit (Chpt 7)
ABLAZE – April 3 3:30 - 6pm	Vocations
April 15, Friday 10am – 11:45am	Children’s Stations of the Cross – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Service Project for Parish – supporting the Children’s Liturgy
Session 7 – April 24 12pm – 1:30pm	Saints
ABLAZE – May 1 3:30 - 6pm	Science and Faith
May 1, 2, 3 (TBC)	IGNITE FESTIVAL
Session 8 – May 15 12pm – 1:30pm	The Church a Home for you and Me (Chpt 9) Parish Groups Fair
ABLAZE – June 5 3:30 - 6pm	Pentecost!!!! Confirmation Practice (TBC)
Session 9 – June 12 12pm – 1:30pm	What Happens in Confirmation (Chpt 12)
ABLAZE – July 3 3:30 - 6pm	
TBC	CONFIRMATION!!!
TBC	Confirmed – Now what?



## Additional Information For 2021-2022 Confirmation Candidates

### **Diocese of East Anglia Confirmation Guidelines**

- They will ordinarily be in Year 8 at school and have reached the age of 13 by the time they receive the Sacrament (June/July 2022).
- To attend Sunday Mass throughout their confirmation preparation; • to attend all scheduled confirmation sessions unless a serious reason prevents them; • to attend the Ignite Festival, and any other retreat days organised by catechists; • to have participated in Adoration and received the sacrament of Reconciliation as part of the immediate preparation for the celebration of Confirmation.
- In the guidelines – there are more details for Sponsors and Parents.

### **Materials for Each Session / Ablaze Mass:**

- YOUCAT – Confirmation Handbook for candidates - <https://www.ctsbooks.org/product/youcat-confirmation-book-for-candidates/>
- YOUCAT – English - <https://www.ctsbooks.org/product/youcat/>
- BIBLE
- Journal – perhaps this would be a nice gift from a Sponsor/Godparent. This is to take notes, write prayers, in, etc.

**Ablaze Mass** – candidates will be taking active parts in the Ablaze Masses (as alter servers, musicians, singers, lectors, gift bearers, etc.). Families are strongly encouraged to attend the Ablaze Mass as well. Sponsors and Parents will also be asked to become involved.

- Lectors for Ablaze – we will be having candidates/Sponsor/Parent teams sign up to a Rota to be lectors at the Ablaze Mass
- IT Support for Ablaze Mass

**IGNITE FESTIVAL:** All Confirmation Candidates must attend the IGNITE FESTIVAL. It is a 2 night trip over May Bank Holiday – DATES TO BE CONFIRMED – usually the first weekend in May.

### **Volunteering with Children's Liturgy:**

- Family Christmas Eve Mass (TBC)
  - December 24<sup>th</sup>. Arrive at 4pm. Mass starts at 5pm
- Children's Stations of the Cross
  - Friday, April 15. 10:00am – 11:30am

**Saint Laurence's Open Meetings:** Candidates must attend one of the meetings during their confirmation year. This is to see how the Parish runs and gain a sense of the community. This will also provide candidates opportunities to express their views to the parish community. Dates to be shared when available. Currently, they are taking place over Zoom

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**Other Dates Candidates should attend:**

- Garden Clean up – November 7
  - 3:30pm – families welcome. Please bring gardening tools. This is one of our parish service projects – giving back to the parish community. The Parish community will also be invited. We'll also see the "Blossoms" from our work when the flowers bloom at Easter.
- Thursday, December 24, 2020
  - 4:00pm Rehearsal, 5:00pm Children's Christmas Eve Mass
- Friday, March 18 – 6 – 8:00pm
  - Confessions and Young Adult Stations of the Cross
- Friday, April 15, 2021
  - Children's Stations of the Cross – meet at 10:00am, Stations begin at 10:30, end at 11:30)
- TBC – Confirmation Service.
  - I am requesting Monday, July 4/11/18 at 6:00pm