



# QUEEN OF APOSTLES PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## “TRACK B” CONFIRMATION PREP SCHEDULE 2024 – 2025

**\*\*\* for 8<sup>th</sup> Gr. Students in Queen of Angels School AND St. Matthias School \*\*\***

- 1) Most instruction will take place during the school day in Religion class. Some classes (2 with parents and/or Sponsors, 4 with all students) will take place Monday evenings, 6:45pm to 8:30pm.
- 2) Religious Education students at Queen of Apostles Parish should see the Track A schedule. Underlined dates listed below also appear on the Track A schedule for RE students.

SEPTEMBER 2024	23	<u>First Class – Parents/Guardians &amp; Candidates</u> ( <i>jóvenes con padres</i> ) 6:45pm to 8:30pm, at Q of A Church, 2330 W. Sunnyside
OCTOBER	02 & 03	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY in Religion
	05-06	<u>WEEKEND MASSES – Rite of Enrollment</u> ( <i>arr. 15 min. early</i> ) Blessing & Commitment in Q of A Church, 2330 W. Sunnyside Choose a Mass: 5pm Sat., 9am or 11am Sun. ( <i>Engl.</i> ); 12:30pm Sun. ( <i>Sp.</i> )
	09 & 10	WED. & THURS. in Religion – <i>Discipleship Form due Thursday</i>
	21	<u>MONDAY EVENING Class</u> in Mission Hall, 4412 N. Western
	29 & 30	TUES. & WED. in Religion – <i>Sponsor Form due Wednesday</i>
NOVEMBER	05	<u>TUESDAY – Retreat I “Rise Up”</u> (CPS students’ day off of school) 8:30am-2:30pm at Q of A Church Lunch & snacks provided.
	11	<u>Class – Sponsors, Parents &amp; Candidates</u> ( <i>jóvenes con padrinos y padres</i> ) 6:45pm-8:30pm at St. Matthias Church (Ainslie & Claremont)
	20 & 21	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY in Religion
DECEMBER	04 & 05	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY in Religion
	11 & 12	WED. & THURS. in Religion – <i>Conf, Name reflection due Thurs.</i>
	18 & 19	WED. & THURS. in Religion to begin writing Pastor Letters
JANUARY 2025	06	<u>MONDAY EVENING Class</u> with guest speakers
	15 & 16	WED. & THURS. in Religion – <i>Pastor Letters due Thursday</i>
	27	<u>MONDAY EVENING Class</u> with guest presenters
FEBRUARY	05 & 06	WED. & THURS. in Religion – <i>Service documentation due Wednesday</i>
	12 & 13	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY in Religion
	24	<u>MONDAY EVENING Class</u> with guest speakers
	28	<u>FRIDAY – Confirmation Retreat II “Purify My Heart”</u> 4:30pm-8:30pm at St. Matthias (arrive at Gym & depart from Church)
MARCH	05 & 06	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY in Religion
	12 & 13	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY in Religion
	26 & 27	WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY in Religion
APRIL	02	<u>WEDNESDAY – Confirmation Practices</u> 6pm-7pm in St. Matthias Church for English-only AM Mass 7:30pm-8:30pm in Queen of Angels Church for Bilingual PM Mass <i>Practice for Candidate &amp; Sponsor(s). Ensayo para el joven y padrino(s).</i>
	05	<u>SATURDAY – CONFIRMATION MASSES</u> w/ Bishop Turley 10:00am at St. Matthias Church <u>in English only</u> 1:30pm at Queen of Angels Church <u>bilingually in English &amp; Spanish</u> <i>Local reception &amp; photos to follow each Mass.</i>

**- PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE / VEA POR FAVOR EL OTRO LADO -**

## **ATTENDANCE POLICY and FURTHER NOTES ON THE SCHEDULE**

**CANDIDATES** for Confirmation should attend all classes and retreats as listed on their schedule. **Not participating regularly in Confirmation Prep will result in not being adequately prepared to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.** Excessive absences may be a sign that the Candidate is not able to commit to the preparation process at this time, which may delay their Confirmation.

- **Absences** from class or other events due to illness or conflict should be documented with a note, email, phone call, text message to Ms. Rachel Hohner, [rhohner@qofachicago.org](mailto:rhohner@qofachicago.org) or **312-857-6782**. Please also contact Ms. Hohner to discuss any ongoing attendance issue or conflict.
- If the candidate misses either **RETREAT I** or **RETREAT II**, scheduled for November 5, 2024 and February 28, 2025, the candidate should make up the absence with an alternative retreat or experience. *Other alternatives for Retreat I may be identified later on.*
  - **Retreat I Alternative:** “Holy Fire” Archdiocesan Youth Event on Saturday, November 2. Please contact Ms. Hohner by October 1 to sign up.
  - **Retreat II Alternative:** Make-up packet and participation in parish confessions on a Saturday morning in March, 9:30am-10am at Queen of Angels Church.
- One **PARENT** or **GUARDIAN** should attend with the Candidate on September 23, 2024 and November 11, 2024. *If a parent or guardian is unable to attend, a **Sponsor or another responsible adult relative** should accompany the Candidate.*
- The **SPONSOR(S)** should attend with the Candidate on November 11, 2024 and April 2, 2025. *If the Sponsor is unable to attend, a **parent/guardian or another responsible adult relative** should accompany the Candidate.*
- The **SPONSOR** must be present for the Confirmation Mass on April 5, 2024 or a non-parent proxy will need to be chosen. Parents and Candidates should make sure that family, loved ones and friends are invited to share in this special day.

## **ASISTENCIA y MÁS INFORMACIÓN SOBRE EL CALENDARIO**

Los **CANDIDATOS** para Confirmación deben de asistir a todas las clases y retiros que figuran en su calendario. **No participar regularmente en la Preparación para la Confirmación resultará en no estar adecuadamente preparado para recibir el sacramento de la Confirmación.** Las ausencias excesivas pueden ser una señal de que el Candidato no puede comprometerse con el proceso de preparación en este momento; esto puede retrasar su Confirmación.

- **Las ausencias** de clase u otros eventos debido a enfermedad o conflicto deben documentarse con una nota, mensaje de correo electrónico, llamada o mensaje de texto a la Srta. Rachel Hohner al [rhohner@qofachicago.org](mailto:rhohner@qofachicago.org) o al **312-857-6782**. Comuníquese también con la Srta. Hohner para discutir cualquier problema o conflictos frecuentes de asistencia.
- Si el candidato se falta **RETIRO I** o **RETIRO II**, 5 de noviembre de 2024 y el 28 de febrero de 2025, el candidato debe completar una experiencia alternativa. Es posible que más adelante se identifiquen otras alternativas para el Retiro I.
  - **Alternativa al Retiro I:** Evento Juvenil Arquidiocesano “Fuego Santo” (Holy Fire) el sábado, 2 de noviembre. Comuníquese con la Sra. Hohner antes del 1 de octubre para inscribirse.
  - **Alternativa al Retiro II:** Paquete de hojas con preguntas y participación en confesiones parroquiales un sábado por la mañana en marzo, de 9:30am-10am en la Iglesia Reina de los Ángeles.
- Un **PADRE** o **TUTOR** deberá de asistir junto con el Candidato el 23 de septiembre del 2024 y 11 de noviembre de 2024. *Si por alguna razón el padre/guardián no puede asistir, un **padrino/madrina u otro pariente responsable** deberá acompañar al Candidato.*
- El **PADRINO** o **MADRINA** deberá de asistir junto con el Candidato el 11 de noviembre del 2024 y el 2 de abril de 2025. *Si por alguna razón el Padrino o Madrina no puede asistir con el Candidato en estas fechas, un **padre/tutor u otro pariente responsable** deberá acompañar al Candidato.*
- El **PADRINO** o **MADRINA** debe estar presente el día de la Misa de Confirmación que será el 5 de abril de 2025, o se necesita elegir un(a) representante. Los papás/tutores y candidatos deben de asegurarse que toda la familia, seres queridos y amigos estén invitados a celebrar este día tan especial.