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To All Parents

Re: Sacrament of Confirmation

Dear Parents,

The Peace of Christ!

As the new school year is about to start, I would like to invite you to register your child (from Grade 7 and older) for the Sacramental Preparation and Celebration of Confirmation.

The registration is a two-step process: **First**, go to our parish website www.stjosephinebakhita.ca to fill and submit the Registration Form. **Please note** that the Registration Form will only work if you provide all the necessary information marked with an asterisk. You will be receiving from us an email confirming that you have successfully registered your child. **Secondly**, you will have to submit a **hard copy** of the Baptismal Certificate and a fee of \$50 at the Parish Office to complete the registration process. Our Parish Office is open Tuesday to Friday, from **9 AM to 12 noon**, and again from **4 PM to 7 PM** to receive the Baptismal Certificate and Fee. **Please do not email to us the Baptismal Certificate.** Upon completing the Registration, you will receive the schedule of the Monthly Gatherings and Celebrations. **The last day of Registration will be on Friday, September 30, 2022.**

If your child is **not baptized** in the Roman Catholic Church, you need to register him/her for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC). The RCIC is a weekly gathering to prepare the child for the four sacraments: Baptism, First Communion, and First Reconciliation. and Confirmation.

Young people who are baptized in the Eastern Churches that are in Full Communion with the Catholic Churches (Byzantine, Coptic, Chaldean to name a few) **need not** register. They are, however, welcomed to participate in the Gatherings and receive a Blessing at the Confirmation Celebration.

Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

Rev. Mark Achilles Villanueva
Pastor