

Confirmation of Persons Baptized as Infants

Policy No. 611

Policy Statement: Persons who have been baptized Catholic as infants are to receive instruction in the Faith before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. They are to follow Confirmation preparation as prescribed by the parish.

In the case of children:

- The preparation is generally supported by their parents and the Catholic schools.
- They are not to be placed in R.C.I.A. adapted for children to prepare for Confirmation.

Intent of Policy: To ensure that persons baptized Catholic as infants have the necessary understanding before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Procedure:

- a) Complete Confirmation Form – Appendix 611A
- b) Provide instruction sessions for those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- c) Persons baptized in the Eastern Church *sui iuris* as infants have received Confirmation at the time of Baptism. While they are not to receive Confirmation a second time.
 - They may participate in the instruction sessions provided by the parish.
 - The parish may involve them in the celebration with their peers, e.g., bringing the gifts at Offertory.

Also refer to Policy:
No. 819 Confirmation Notification to Parish of Baptism

Also refer to Appendix:
611A Confirmation Form
819A Confirmation Notification Form