



St. Joseph Parish Religious Education Program

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

All parish students preparing to receive Confirmation are asked to make a banner square at home with their families. These banners will decorate the church for each Mass, adding to the celebration. Each student is receiving an **8" square of red felt** to decorate with their Confirmation Saint name and a symbol of that Saint or a virtue that that Saint represents to the Confirmandi. Each square can be as simple or elaborate as you choose to make it. Use materials you have at home or have fun at your local craft store for stick-on letters, etc.

Here are a few suggestions/guidelines for making the banner:

- The felt square **must** remain **8" x 8"**, as given to you.
- **DO NOT USE GLITTER!** Some of the felt squares have sparkles on one side. If you receive such a square, please use the sparkle side. Thank you.
- Please be sure **everything is firmly attached** - the banners are NOT lying flat; they hang vertically. If anything is not firmly attached it will fall off.
- Do **not** add any type of hanger (dowel, yarn, etc.) to the felt square.
- Do **not** use heavy materials, e.g. wood, on your banner. It **should weigh NO more than** a standard first class letter, i.e., **one ounce**, when finished.
- If you make a mistake, you may use any 8" x 8" red felt square or contact the PREP office. We have a few extra pieces of felt.
- **HAVE FUN!** Enjoy working on this project as a family.

Each square will be used to construct several large banners. These large banners will be hung from the choir loft. The large banners will be displayed during both Confirmation Masses. Your child's teacher will also have a label to place on the back of the square when it is returned. The children's banners will be returned to them.

Send you child's **completed 8" square to you child's teacher no later than**

February 12, 2012. Call us with any questions. Thank you!

May God bless you all in this time of wonder and excitement.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Kathy Thomas

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