

TYM and Confirmation in a Nutshell

	Total Youth Ministry	Confirmation
Who is eligible to participate?	Anyone in grades 9 through 12.	Anyone in grades 9 through 11.
When does it meet?	From September to June, the 2 nd through last weekend of each month, usually on Sundays, 6:30 - 8:30PM. Students are encouraged, but not required, to complete a two-year curriculum.	From late October until September, one year later, the 2 nd and 4 th Sunday of each month, from 4:00 to 6:00PM. (We continue to meet during the summer months.)
When is registration?	From early summer to September. But registrations are accepted throughout the year. There is no late fee. (Pick up a form below.)	Registrations take place in September and October.
How much does it cost?	One child - \$100. Two children - \$150. Three or more - \$175. (Tuition is for ONE year at a time.)	\$85 for 1 child, \$50 for each addition sibling in the same year.
What do the costs include?	Materials (a textbook is given to each student in October, below) and everything except for the yearly retreats and optional excursions.	The 2-day retreat, materials and everything except for the optional excursions or entertainment.
What's the curriculum?	In two years, we cover a brief overview of the Catholic Faith. We also study, with a Catholic perspective, a variety of topics of interest to modern teens.	We use a textbook (below) to cover those topics which will prepare the teens to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.
How does it end?	We have an end-of-the-year BASH in early June. Teens are encouraged to stay in TYM throughout high school.	The Confirmation ceremony in mid-October BEGINS the teen's more active involvement in church activities and Christian living, especially in TYM!
What is required?	Simply do your best to attend TYM events, & invite friends. You may also consider being involved in teen leadership/planning group called TYM Core Team.	Participation at all classes, a two-day retreat, completion of 24 hours of service, an essay about their service project, an essay about a Saint, a letter to the Bishop. Each participant chooses a sponsor as a companion to aid them in the process.