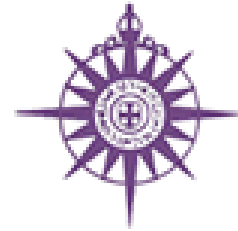


Confirmation Preparation Retreats



FOR: The Bishop strongly urges *EVERYONE* preparing for Confirmation, Reception or Reaffirmation of their baptismal vows this year to attend one of these Retreats. *YOUTH* will attend an overnight retreat from Friday evening to Saturday afternoon. *ADULTS* will have their own 90 minute session with the Bishop on the Saturday afternoon of the retreat.

DATES & LOCATIONS: The *YOUTH* portions of the Confirmation Retreats begin on Friday evening at 7PM and end at 12:15PM on Saturday afternoon. The *ADULT* portion is from 12:30-2:00PM on Saturday afternoon. Congregations are assigned to retreats based on the dates on which they are being confirmed. If your assigned date is inconvenient you may attend on a different date. The assignments are as follows:

| Retreat Date | Mar. 3-4, 2017 | Mar. 17-18, 2017 | Mar. 31-Apr. 1, 2017 |
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| Retreat Location | Cross Roads Camp & Retreat Center, 29 Pleasant Grove Rd., Port Murray | Cross Roads Camp & Retreat Center, 29 Pleasant Grove Rd., Port Murray | St. Elizabeth's Church, 169 Fairmount Rd., Ridgewood |
| Districts Assigned | 1, 4 & 5 | 2, 3, 6 & 7 | 8, 9 & 10 |
| Early Bird Registration Deadline ¹ | February 2, 2017 | February 16, 2017 | March 2, 2017 |
| Early Bird Registration Fees | Youth Candidates: \$42 Chaperones: \$42 Adult Candidates: \$12 | Youth Candidates: \$42 Chaperones: \$42 Adult Candidates: \$12 | Youth Candidates: \$42 Chaperones: \$42 Adult Candidates: \$12 |
| General Registration Deadline ² | February 21, 2017 | March 7, 2017 | March 21, 2017 |
| General Registration Fees | Youth Candidates: \$54 Chaperones: \$54 Adult Candidates: \$18 | Youth Candidates: \$54 Chaperones: \$54 Adult Candidates: \$18 | Youth Candidates: \$54 Chaperones: \$54 Adult Candidates: \$18 |

¹ Registration fees are discounted through the early bird registration deadlines. After those dates the general registration fees apply.

² The general registration deadline is the absolute deadline. We cannot accept any walk-ins or other registrations after that deadline.

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REGISTRATION & COST

Registration forms are available on the diocesan website at <http://www.dioceseofnewark.org/confirmation-retreats/confirmation-retreat-registration-forms>. They may be completed online or sent in on paper. They must, however, be received by the deadlines listed on the chart on the previous page.

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Adults who will be confirmed, received or reaffirmed will have lunch together and meet with the Bishop as a group to discuss their respective faith journeys and explore what it means to be an Episcopalian.

Likewise, youth will enjoy time with their peers and the Bishop. They'll also explore the ways in which their membership in the Anglican Communion makes them part of a church that is much bigger than their own congregations and learn about ministry opportunities for young people in this Diocese! We ask congregations' to send chaperones in a ratio of 1 adult for every 5-7 youth. This facilitates the youths' participation as it ensures that they can have timely discussions about the ways in which their diocesan confirmation experience relates to their congregational and individual journeys. All chaperones must have completed the FREE Safeguarding God's Children training within the last 5 years. For more information about these retreats or the Safeguarding God's Children training please contact the Rev. Canon Gregory A. Jacobs, Canon to the Ordinary (973) 430-9991 or gjacobs@dioceseofnewark.org.