## <u>Confirmation</u> <u>All meetings are from 7 – 8 PM, except for the Retreat</u> <u>and Dress Rehearsal</u>

\*September 25: Parent and candidate meeting at 7 PM in the church until 7:20 PM, candidates complete meeting in Classroom 1. Please read pages 2 – 5 (not the activities) in Candidate Lesson 1 "Called by the Holy Spirit" and be prepared to discuss.

**October 14:** Saturday, 5 PM Mass, led by Bishop Manny Cruz, who will be presiding at our Confirmation Mass on April 27, 2024. Candidates, and their families, are **strongly encouraged to attend,** as Bishop Cruz will address the candidates during the Mass. After the Mass, our parish is hosting *International Night* in the Auditorium, with volunteer opportunities of Community Service for candidates available. Bishop Cruz will attend!

**\*October 23:** Meeting. Candidate Lesson 2 "Accepting God's Call" plus Community Service discussion.

\*November 13: Confirmation Retreat, in the Auditorium and the Church, 7 – 8:30 PM. <u>This is a required meeting!</u> If the candidate is ill or does not attend, they must attend a retreat at another parish before March 31, 2024. Candidate Lesson 3 "Building a Friendship with God" **November 19:** Confirmation Family Mass, 10:00 AM. **Attendance is strongly encouraged.** "Coffee And" reception to follow.

**\*December 11:** Meeting. Candidate Lesson 4 "Recognizing the Holy Spirit in Your Life", Christmas Community Service project, Advent season discussion and Christmas party!

**\*January 22:** Meeting. Candidate Lesson 5 "Receiving the Gifts of the Holy Spirit"

**February 14:** Ash Wednesday Masses and service. Candidates must attend one. Sign in required.

**\*February 26:** Meeting. Candidate Lesson 6 "Experiencing God's Love in Church"

**\*March 25:** Meeting. Candidate Lesson 7 "Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation"

**March 28:** Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6 PM. Mass attendance strongly encouraged. Community Service opportunities available.

\***April 22:** Meeting. Candidate Lesson 8 "Making a Difference as Disciples" 7 – 7:30 PM in classroom, dress rehearsal with sponsors in Auditorium and Church from 7:30 – 8:30 PM. **Attendance required.** \*<u>Confirmation is Saturday, April 27, 2024, at 11 AM</u>