Invitation to this year's programme of preparation.

After Baptism, Reconciliation & Holy Communion .. the Sacrament of Confirmation follows on as the next great landmark in your Faith development.

To families of all Year 8 Students across the Oldham Deanery

Dear Students (and Parents),

I have great pleasure in inviting you onto this year's Confirmation preparation programme. Building on the success we've had over the last two years (over 170 Catholic students !!!) our hope is that you and your family will grasp this opportunity, leading to a wonderful celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation over the Pentecost weekend (17th/18th May 2024).

The team has remained realistic in terms of planning the programme, determined to avoid 'tuition overkill' the programme consists of :

- one (very important) introductory meeting FOR PARENTS
- seven x two-hour sessions for the Year 8 candidates.

~ Wednesday 28th Feb. Parents Meeting (7-8pm) ... Note the time!!! ~ Wednesday 6th March 1st Student Session (6-8pm) ~ Wednesday 13th March 2nd Student Session (6-8pm) ~ Wednesday 20th March 3rd Student Session (6-8pm) ~ Wednesday 17th April 4th Student Session (6-8pm) ~ Wednesday 24th April 5th Student Session (6-8pm) ~ Wednesday 1st May 6th Student Session (6-8pm) ~ Wednesday 8th May 7th Student Session (6-8pm)

All meetings will take place at St. Edward's RC Church, Lees.

NB. Having kept the number of meetings to a minimum, your attendance at each of the seven sessions will be expected.

Students may appreciate knowing the following ...

- meetings will be conducted within a warm, friendly, informal atmosphere
- no one will be put on the spot, or be expected to stand up & take centre stage
- we want enjoyment & humour to underpin each session
- there will be a 'social' element to each gathering (a chance to relax, meet & chat).

We are confident you will enjoy the programme we have prepared for you and we look forward to working with you all in the near future.

God bless and keep you safe,

Fr. Callum Brown (on behalf of the Oldham Deanery)

HOW TO REGISTER FOR THE PROGRAMME:

Parents are asked to complete the attached form on the child's behalf and bring it with them to the Parents Meeting on 28th Feb.

NB. Students are NOT required to be present at the Parents Meeting.

Confirmation 2024 – Programme of Preparation Registration Form

(to follow)