

Confirmation ceremony

Date: July 23, 2026

Timeline

09:00 – 09:30 Guest Arrival and Check-In

Confirmands, sponsors, and families arrive at the parish center to check in and pick up program schedules. Ushers assist guests in finding reserved seating inside the church.

Location: St. Jude Parish Center

09:30 – 10:15 Confirmand Instruction and Robing

Candidates and sponsors assemble in the education hall for final liturgical instructions and robe distribution. Sponsors verify their confirmation cards with catechists.

Location: St. Jude Education Hall

10:15 – 10:30 Processional Lineup

Confirmands form the entrance procession alongside clergy, catechists, and ministers. Organ prelude music begins inside the main church nave.

Location: Church Narthex

10:30 – 11:15 Solemn Mass and Homily

The liturgical celebration begins with an opening procession, Scripture readings, and a homily delivered by the presiding Bishop focused on the gifts of the Spirit.

Location: St. Jude Catholic Church Sanctuary

11:15 – 11:45 Sacrament of Confirmation

Candidates step forward with their sponsors for the Laying on of Hands and the Anointing with Sacred Chrism. Official confirmation certificates are presented.

Location: St. Jude Catholic Church Sanctuary

11:45 – 12:15 Commemorative Group Photography

Formal class photos are taken on the church steps with the Bishop and parish priests. Families then gather for individual keepsake portraits.

Location: Church Exterior Plaza

12:15 – 12:45 Transit to Reception Venue

Guests and families travel from the church premises to the banquet hall for the afternoon celebration.

Location: Transit from Church to Grand Oak Hall

12:45 – 13:30 Welcome Cocktail Hour

Guests arrive at the reception venue to enjoy signature mocktails, wine, and butler-passed appetizers in the foyer.

Location: Grand Oak Hall Foyer

13:30 – 14:45 Festive Luncheon

A three-course seated meal is served to honor the newly confirmed candidates and celebrate with family and friends.

Location: Grand Oak Main Ballroom

14:45 – 15:15 Speeches and Remarks

Parents, sponsors, and youth directors share inspirational messages and offer formal toasts to the confirmands.

Location: Grand Oak Main Stage

15:15 – 15:45 Celebration Cake Cutting

The candidates slice a custom commemorative cake followed by dessert and coffee service for all attendees.

Location: Grand Oak Main Ballroom

15:45 – 16:30 Gift Presentation and Socializing

Guests present blessed medals, Bibles, and religious gifts to the confirmands before offering final well wishes and departing.

Location: Grand Oak Lounge