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Dear Parents of our 7th-12th graders,

We are introducing an exciting new program called **Chosen: Your Journey Toward Confirmation**. The goal of the program is to offer your child a powerful, life-changing experience as he or she prepares to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

It is our hope that Chosen will not only offer your child a thorough knowledge and understanding of the Catholic Faith, but will also win over their heart at this critical time in their life. The program has been carefully designed to address and answer your child's fundamental questions about life, and to challenge him or her to embrace a life of faith.

Let's face it—our world is full of distractions and detours that can easily set a young person on the wrong path. Nothing can take the place of a strong faith in God: not friends, money, or education. It is our faith that gives us our identity and our direction in life. The Church recognizes that you, as parents, are the primary educators of your children in matters of faith and morals—and the Chosen program offers you a unique opportunity to join your child as he or she journeys through the Catholic faith.

To learn more about the program and your role in preparing your child for Confirmation, we invite you to attend a **Parent Information Session on January 10th 7-8pm or January 14th 7:30-8:30pm to be held on Zoom. We also invite your student to attend a separate Information/orientation on January 14th or 17th at 6:30-7:30pm on Zoom.** Email youthministry@stmatthewseattle.org to sign up. The meeting will not only inform you about the program, but will also offer you ideas and tools to confidently engage and encourage your child during their preparation.

After the Information Session, you will receive a Chosen Parent's Guide, which summarizes the program lesson by lesson, allowing you to follow along and play an active role in your child's faith journey. The guide also provides helpful questions and family applications to foster meaningful conversation at home. We will begin teaching Chosen on January 21st. We encourage you to follow along in the Parent's Guide.

Finally, we invite you to **watch a welcome video to parents** from Chosen's author, Chris Stefanick, which is available at ConfirmationStudy.com/parents.

Thank you for your time and interest in this important stage of your child's spiritual development. We look forward to seeing you at the Parent Information Session.

Sincerely,

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PA for Youth Ministry



CHOSEN
YOUR JOURNEY TOWARD CONFIRMATION

ATTENTION: 7th-12th graders!!

Is God calling you to receive the final Sacrament of Initiation and the gifts of the Holy Spirit through Confirmation?

Join us!

Online information/orientation session

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****NOTE: Attending 1 information/orientation session is **MANDATORY** for both parents and students, to go through the Confirmation program this year****