

MEMORANDUM



ROMAN CATHOLIC
DIOCESE
of Calgary

DATE February 3, 2021

TO Priests, Deacons, Parish Office Staff, Sacrament Coordinators

FROM The Office of the Bishop

SUBJECT The Celebration of Confirmation in the Year 2021

This memorandum is being issued to provide clarity on the decision of the Bishop on the celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation for the year 2021.

Some pastors suggested at the Presbyteral Council meeting of September 1, 2020 that pastors be delegated by the Bishop to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in parishes where there will be an increased number of celebrations required due to the reduced occupancy in the churches.

It was also suggested that the Bishop try to accommodate the requests of parishes with a smaller number of youth celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation.

This decision with the Presbyteral Council means that the request made by the Bishop's Office last year to parishes for the submission of three dates for Confirmation in 2021 will no longer be required. Instead, please refer to the action items below.

ACTION:

- Pastors are asked to request the faculty to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation from the Bishop by writing to the Chancellor, Fr. Anthony Pudota, and indicating the date(s) of the celebration.
- Parishes with a smaller number of youth celebrating Confirmation this year need to contact Cristina Marcil to inquire about the Bishop's availability.