## **Rite Confirmation FAQ**

- What Should I Wear?
  - Dress code:
    - √ formal wear like a semi-formal dance
    - ✓ on the bottom:
      - dress pants or skirt/dress (treat leggings like they're tights, not pants)
      - dress shoes
    - ✓ on the top:
      - button down shirt with jacket and/or tie
      - blouse or dressy top
      - shoulders covered
    - ✓ any colors are appropriate (white or red are nice, but not necessary)
    - ✓ altar servers: an alb and white cincture from St. Rita's
  - Please do not wear:
    - ✓ anything distracting (i.e., dress modestly, no printed words)
    - ✓ casual fabrics: denim, flannel, corduroy, sweats
    - ✓ things you don't want to attach a name tag to
  - o No gum or drinks, please.
  - You can change at the cathedral bathrooms are spacious
- How can the candidate and loved ones help, or participate more fully in this Mass?
  - Singers for the choir (siblings)
  - Teams of greeters at the door (candidates) and ushers to help direct people before and after Mass (adults)
  - Readers (candidates)
  - Altar servers (siblings)
  - Gift bearers (candidates)
- Let Anne Thomas know in advance if you or your guests have any needs (ex., low gluten hosts).
- What happens at the cathedral?
  - o Sacred Heart Cathedral: 296 Flower City Park, Rochester, NY 14615
  - Parking
    - ✓ There are 2 parking lots:
      - a small lot behind the cathedral w/disabled parking spots and an accessible entrance
      - a larger lot across the street from the front of the cathedral
    - ✓ Street parking is available along the cathedral and surrounding streets
  - Arrival times
    - ✓ Please arrive BY 6:30 to ensure that you can park and find your seats before 7:00.
    - ✓ If you are volunteering for any liturgical role, you will receive an earlier arrival time.
  - Seating
    - ✓ Candidates and sponsors will sit together in the front/nave (main area). Your name tag will be on your seat.
    - ✓ There is seating reserved for people with mobility issues in the front row of the south transept.
    - ✓ Families fill in available seating on a first come, first served basis in the transepts, rear of the nave, and the loft. Reserving seats is not allowed.
  - Mass lasts approximately an hour and a half.
  - Pictures/Reception
    - ✓ You can take pictures BEFORE 6:45.
    - √ NO PICTURES/RECORDING DURING MASS PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD to friends and family!
    - ✓ Please line up in the center aisle after Mass if you would like a photo with Bishop Matano.
  - Please assist in clearing the pews and narthex of trash so the cathedral is clean before morning events.