

DIOCESAN CONFIRMATION LIST 2020

For Diocesan services:

To give everyone a good experience at the Diocesan Confirmations in the Cathedral, the number of candidates presented for confirmation at each service needs to be limited.

If there are too many candidates to be confirmed, the service becomes lengthy and impersonal - and seeing and hearing is much more difficult for those attending. To prevent this the maximum number of candidates for all services will be **60**. Equally, if there are too few candidates, the experience of pilgrimage as the candidates and congregation move through the building is lost. There will need to be a minimum of **25** candidates registered at South Canonry at least six weeks before the service if it is to go ahead.

Places are available on a strictly first-come-first-served basis, so the sooner you are in touch the better your chances of places for your candidates. Please apply to register candidates as soon as possible by email to [Sally Ruffer](mailto:bishop.admin@salisbury.anglican.org) (bishop.admin@salisbury.anglican.org)

All emails are acknowledged, so please ring to check if you haven't had a reply within a reasonable time.

Once you have your places booked for your candidates, Sally will ask for the following information from you not less than four weeks before the service:

- Total number of candidates from the individual parishes within a benefice.
- Names of the candidates.
- Whether any of the candidates will require baptism as well as confirmation.
- Any other needs that the Bishop or Cathedral would need to know.

On the day of the Confirmation Service in the cathedral there is a rehearsal at 4.30 pm, followed (after a break for tea) by the service at 6.30 pm.

Diocesan Cathedral Confirmations are on the following Saturdays:

16 May 2020

4 July 2020

31 October 2020

There is also a confirmation during the Easter Dawn liturgy on Easter Day (**12 April 2020**) at 5.00 am, the rehearsal for which is the previous day.

For Deanery or Parish services:

Please contact the relevant Rural Dean or incumbent if you have candidates to be included in a Deanery/Parish Service. They will liaise with the area office as applicable.