

Confirmation Saint Name

Traditionally candidates for Confirmation choose a new name that is used during the Confirmation ceremony. The chosen name should be the name of a recognized Saint of the Catholic Church. The reason for choosing a name is to allow you to deepen your faith and connection to the Church family and the customs and traditions of the Church. Use this opportunity to look at different inspirational people in your lives or the lives of the Saints and choose a name that will have a deep impact on your spiritual journey. The name you choose must be the name of a Saint.

When you are confirmed, the Bishop will use your chosen Saint name for the Sacrament of Confirmation. There are many resources online and, in the libraries, to give you names to choose from. Please discuss this decision with your Confirmation Sponsor and use them as a resource. Names of saints are chosen to serve as patrons and models for those being confirmed. Candidates should choose a patron saint's name because of the attractiveness of the Christian life that that person led.

ASSIGNMENT:

In a separate document – answer the following questions when you research the Saint you have chosen for your Confirmation Name.

1. Explanation of the Saint – what is known of him/her biographically?
2. What were this Saint's struggles?
3. What was the geographical area? Situation of the world? Place of time in the importance of the history of the Church and secular history.
4. Is there a shrine for this Saint or a pilgrimage site where you could journey to pray at the Saint's tomb?
5. How does this Saint contribute to Church History?
6. How does this Saint contribute as an example of holiness for someone of today to emulate?
7. Personal reason why student chose this saint.
8. Why should people today know about this Saint? What does he/she contribute as a lesson to today's world?
9. Was this Saint alive in a time when Christianity was accepted or in a time of great persecution?
10. Is there a particular group who has a devotion to this Saint? An ethnic group? A religious order?

Baptismal Name (First/Middle/Last):

Confirmation Name:
