Candidate CONFIRMATION Name

During the Catholic sacrament of Confirmation, God the Holy Spirit comes upon you to bestow numerous spiritual gifts and "confirm" the faith given you in Baptism. If you choose a Confirmation name before Confirmation, this new name, imposed by the bishop during Confirmation, becomes a part of your full name. It comes after your first and middle names and before the last name.

Find a list of canonized saints in the Roman Catholic Church by reading a book or doing online research (http://www.catholic.org/saints/ is a good place to start). Saints are people who have lived holy lives and are now in heaven as members of the Church Triumphant. Their life stories provide examples for others on how to overcome spiritual obstacles on Earth.

Pray to the Holy Spirit, and ask Him for help in finding a saint whose life you’d like to imitate. This saint will be bonded with you spiritually, and in essence becomes your heavenly patron who intercedes for you before God.

Select your Confirmation name, based on the name of a SAINT and inform your sponsor, family and friends. Get used to it by saying it over and over again in your mind. Practice writing it as part of your full name.

Before you are confirmed, pray with the saint whose name you will be using as your Confirmation name. Ask this saint to intercede for you, to help you make the right moral choices, and overall to be a powerful spiritual guide the rest of your life.

Buy pictures, holy cards, statues and books associated with your Confirmation’s namesake. These visual reminders of your saint will help you reflect upon his or her unique virtues.

Fill out the information below and turn it in to your catechist or the Religious Education Office by Sunday, November 10, 2019.

Please PRINT neatly – so that we can read it...

YOUR FULL NAME: __________________________________________________________

YOUR CHOSEN CONFIRMATION NAME: _______________________________________
If this is left blank, your first name will be considered your Confirmation Name.

Why have you chosen this name?
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