

CONFIRMATION SAINT NAME FORM

CANDIDATE FULL NAME: _____

In Holy Scripture, a significant change in one's life is often reflected by taking a new name. For instance, God gave Abram the name Abraham when He promised to make him the father of many nations. Christ gave Simon the name Peter ("Rock") when He promised to make Peter the rock on which He would build His Church.

So today, we take on a name at our Baptism and again at our Confirmation. Confirmation, like the other Sacraments, is not a mere symbol. It effects a *real spiritual change*. Since you are truly a changed person in receiving the Sacrament, it is appropriate that you take on a new name.

Choose the name of a saint that you connect to or aspire to imitate in some way. There are many resources available to learn about saints.

Note that you may choose to use your baptismal name and not choose a saint as your confirmation name. You are still required to complete this form to research and explain your relationship to a particular saint that you wish to aspire or imitate in some way.

- I have chosen a Confirmation Saint Name. SAINT** _____
- I will use my baptismal name and not choose a saint name for Confirmation, but have researched SAINT** _____

Using the back page of this sheet, please write a paragraph or two about this saint. At one of the Confirmation classes, you will be asked to share with your class the saint name you chose and why. Here are some questions that will help guide you and prepare you for this time of sharing.

Of course, you are not limited to answering these questions in your brief paragraph.

- When was s/he born? Where did s/he live?
- What made them stand out? Were they well-liked or persecuted? Why?
- What are they the patron saint of? (i.e. sports, animals, music, bee-keeping, etc.?)
- Why did you pick this particular saint? What do you have in common with this saint? In what way, and why, do you aspire to be like this saint or find him/her inspiring?