

Choosing a Confirmation Name

Confirmation is an opportunity to enter into a deeper relationship with God and with the Church. One Confirmation tradition is to choose the name of a saint to symbolize this new relationship.

During the Confirmation Mass the Bishop will call the candidate by his/her new "Confirmation Name." The saint's name will symbolize a new beginning in his/her faith life and a connection with that particular saint. This new name would be used after your present middle name and before your last name.

The saint's name chosen will represent the direction the candidate feels his/her faith life is taking or will represent a strength or attribute he/she feels is needed.

It is very important to learn about the saint before deciding on that name.

This new name should not be selected just because of how it sounds, how it fits with the other names, or because it is the name of a friend or relative. Take great care in making selection.

Saint Paper

First year students are to turn in paper by the start of the February break or participate in Sainly Cemetery at Fall Fling, if permissible.

Paper should be one page, 12 pt. font, single spaced, and include the following topics:

The complete name of the saint.

Where and in what century or year did the saint live?

When is his/her feast day?

Was there any special event that helped shape the life of the chosen saint?

What was learned from this research?

Why was this saint selected to represent the candidate's faith journey?

How is this person a good role model to follow as a confirmed Catholic?

Is there a special prayer this saint held close to his/her soul? If so, memorize this prayer and ask him/her to intercede to God when times are trying.

Sainly Cemetery participation:

Complete the informational form.

Dress as their saint.

Create a tombstone.

Attend fall fling from 4 pm – 9 pm.

Complete Apostolic Experience form for Apostolic Credit.

Here are a few helpful websites to assist you in your research:

www.catholicforum.com

www.newadvent.org

www.catholic.org/saints

www.catholic-pages.com

www.americancatholic.org/features/saints

www.ewtn.com/saintholy

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