

# Confirmation Name Form

Candidates name: \_\_\_\_\_

Due Spring of Sophomore Year

## The Choosing of a Christian (Confirmation) 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 chosen from *Our Sunday Visitor's Encyclopedia of Saints*, Revised (2003). You may choose your given name if it is on the list.

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.

Saint's full name: \_\_\_\_\_ Feast Day: \_\_\_\_\_

Name form you have chosen: \_\_\_\_\_  
*For instance, you may have chosen St. John Neumann but you want the form St. John or you have chosen St. Stephen but the form is Stephanie (feminized).*

Saint's places and dates of birth and death: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer the following questions on the backside of this paper:

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. How is this Saint depicted in art? Explain why and make a copy and attach.
5. Is there a shrine for this Saint or a pilgrimage site where you could journey to pray at the Saint's tomb?
6. How does this Saint contribute to Church History?
7. How does this Saint contribute as an example of holiness for someone of today to emulate?
8. Personal reason why student chose this saint.

Then answer one more from the list below:

9. Why should people today know about this Saint? What does he/she contribute as a lesson to today's world?
10. Was this Saint alive in a time when Christianity was accepted or in a time of great persecution?
11. Is there a particular group who has a devotion to this Saint? An ethnic group? A religious order?

Ask your parents how they picked your first and middle names. Write a brief story about it here: