

Due: October 8th

## **CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION**

Please be as accurate as possible. This information is needed for permanent parish records.

Name of Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Baptismal Name) (First) (Middle) (Last)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State)

Telephone#: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Baptism: \_\_\_\_\_ Age at Confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parish Church Where Baptized: \_\_\_\_\_

*Street Address:* \_\_\_\_\_

*City, State, Zip:* \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note: A COPY OF THE CHILD'S BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED ALONG WITH THIS SHEET. If you have been baptized in a parish other than SJB, Sacramental Records can be accessed through that parish. If it is no longer in existence, please contact the Archdiocese of Milwaukee at 1-800-769-9373 and ask for the Archives Department to get a copy.**

**If your child was baptized at St. John the Baptist, you do not need to obtain a copy as these records are kept in the parish office.**

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Mother's Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Needed for records) (First) (Middle) (Last)

Name of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Note: Sponsors must be practicing and confirmed Catholics, over the age of 16.)

Sponsor's Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Confirmation Saint:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Name as will be seen on certificate. For example, my name is Erin Leigh Gross and my saint is Saint Agnes of Rome so I would write.... *Erin Leigh Agnes Gross*)**

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## Choosing a Saint Guide

### Why do we choose a saint?

Saints are chosen as someone extra who is praying for us. The idea is to find a saint that you connect with on a personal level that will guide you through your confirmation journey.

### How do I choose a saint?

- **Choose a saint that in some way parallels your life.**
  - Occupations and activities: Find a patron saint of a hobby or sport you love.
  - Religious life: Is there a particular religious organization you love? Find their patron saint.
  - Physical and spiritual conditions: Saints endured many hardships and obstacles. Find a saint whose journey to canonization mirrors some of your daily struggles.
  - Particular interests: What are things you care about? Animals, your family, work? There are saints who have this in common with you.
  - Cities and nations: Look for a saint from a location or country that interests you.
- **Aquinas and More**
  - Google: Aquinas and more confirmation saint
  - Click "How to choose..."
  - Scroll to "library of patron saints" and click
- **American Catholic**
  - Americancatholic.org
  - The bar across the top of the page says "Saints"
  - Choose Saints by Name from the "Saints" drop down menu
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### What is expected of this paper?

I am looking for 325 words on why you chose this saint and what makes him or her special. This is to make sure you have an understanding of your saint because the confirmation celebrant will ask you a question about your saint and you need to be able to answer it.

- When was he/she born?
- Where did he/she live? What made them stand out?
- Were they well-liked or persecuted?
- What are they patron saint of? (I.e. sports, animals, 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?

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## ***Sponsor Meeting***

*THIS SHEET IS FOR THE CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES NOTES. DO NOT TURN THE ENTIRE PACKET INTO ME, ONLY THE SIGNED AND DATED THIRD PAGE.*

***Prayer- Holy Spirit, come upon us to strengthen us. Bless our time together and guide us as we share our faith and prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation. Let our belief and commitment to the Catholic faith be evident in the way we live our lives. Amen***

*Please take a few moments to tell your sponsor why you chose them...*

***Break the Ice: Open this discussion with simple conversation. Spend a few moments chatting about interests and general life.***

*Reflect on the following questions. Create follow up questions and let the conversation flow smoothly.*

When do you feel close to God?

What are some ways that prove to you God exists?

What steps have you taken to develop a relationship with God?

How has your relationship and understanding of Jesus matured as you have gotten older?

Identify areas in your life where making more decisions based on faith would help you.

What makes the Catholic Church unique?

What makes you proud to be a Catholic?

***Spiritual Companionship is when a person takes us on a spiritual journey by helping us to become more aware of God's presence and to respond to God's voice in everyday life.***

Recall people and events when you may have felt spiritual companionship and how did you grow from that experience?

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Make a list of 3 or 4 people with whom you are both acquainted and discuss how these people reflect the image of God in their daily lives.

1.

2.

3.

***Prayer is the Lifting of our hearts and Minds to God. It helps us come to know God and his will for us. God the Holy Spirit teaches us how to pray.***

Discuss prayer and what it means to you.

What do you think it means to pray always?

Share the kinds and types of prayer you practice and enjoy.

***Confirmation names are an important part of the confirmation process for Catholics. Students choose a saint with whom they identify and seek guidance from them throughout the confirmation process. Refer to the Patron Saint List and discuss potential saints.***

List three patronages you are interested in or apply to you.

Narrow this down to one saint.

***Google a prayer to this saint and say it in closing, inviting them to be a part of your journey.***

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Please return this form to your catechist or Faith Formation Director on the first day of class.

***Confirmation Class of 2018  
First Interview Questions***

**Sponsor's Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidates Saint's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Candidate's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*Please summarize below one question that stood out to you. In four sentences describe why it stood out and what your answer was. \*\*\*

*-This cannot be a saint question.*