

Letter to the Bishop requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation

This Letter is to be turned in during your interview in March.

Here are some guidelines. These topics should be covered in your own words. The letter should be typed and you should check your spelling and grammar.

(Maybe have one of your parents check it)

Begin with Dear Bishop (Name)

Paragraph One: Introduce yourself and share some information about yourself, such as family, where you go to school, animals you may have as a pet, your interests, activities, and hobbies.

Paragraph two: State that you would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation and explain (in one or two paragraphs) why you want to be confirmed.

- a. Explain how you have been prepared for the sacrament.
Be specific: prayer life, your celebration of other sacraments, your service hours (what did you learn and how it affected you)
- b. Describe your retreat experience and what you learned about yourself
- c. How it will bring you closer to the Holy Spirit.
- d. Talk about your faith life in general

Paragraph three: Tell about the Saint you chose and background information. Ex: How does the Saint relate to you?

Paragraph four: Tell how you will continue to carry out your life of service to God and others through the power of the Holy Spirit. Think about the ways in which the sacrament will strengthen your relationship with Jesus. Tell how you plan to make Confirmation in the faith real and alive in your life. How will you be involved in the Church and other areas of service?

Conclusion: Thank him for taking the time to read your letter. Include something like "I look forward to meeting you and celebrating this sacrament with you this April at St. Mary's Church.

Closing Salutation: Below are some options---Pick one or think of your own: Make sure it is capitalized and has a comma at the end.

- Sincerely
- Yours Truly
- Thank You
- In Christ

Example: Your Truly, _____Name (Your Signature) sign your letter in INK