

Saint Questionnaire for Confirmation – Saint Pius X

The saints are an inspiration to us and guide us in our Christian journey. For this reason, it is helpful to learn about them. Every candidate for Confirmation must research a saint as part of his or her preparation. If you are choosing a new Confirmation name, it should correspond to your chosen saint. There are many saints, so we hope you take time to explore the lives of a number of saints when choosing one for Confirmation. You may choose to pick a saint because of their story, mission, patronage, feast day, or even their name. Whichever saint you choose, please share with us a little more about the person that you have chosen. Please type your answers to the following questions, using complete and detailed sentences. Please answer the questions fully, sharing what you have learned in your research:

- 1) What is the name of your saint?
- 2) When is his or her feast day?
- 3) What is his or her patronage?
- 4) When and where was your saint born?
- 5) How did he or she die? Was your saint martyred?
- 6) What was his or her life work?
- 7) What was his or her state of life vocation? Was your saint a priest, a religious brother or sister, or a lay person?
- 8) A saint is someone who makes God's love known to others through their words and actions. For example, St. Theresa of Calcutta made God's love for humankind known by lovingly caring for the poor and sick who lived and died on the streets whereas St. Pope John Paul II preached and wrote about God's love throughout his long priesthood. Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati cared for the poor and needy in his neighborhood that he encountered on his walk to and from work. How did your saint make God's love for humankind known through their life? Please give three different examples of how your saint made God's love known, writing a short paragraph for each example:
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
- 9) Why did you choose your saint? Please write a short paragraph detailing the connections you have to this saint. It may be his or her patronage, something from the saint's life story, a connection between the saint and a family member, or something else.
- 10) What do you admire most about your saint? Please write a short paragraph highlighting the qualities of your chosen saint that stand out to you.
- 11) How can your chosen saint pray for you as you prepare for Confirmation?
- 12) What book/trusted source did you use to verify your information? (If you researched your saint only using online resources, please use one of the books or trusted sources listed below to check your information, as sometimes information found on the internet is unreliable).

This saint questionnaire is due by Monday, March 15, 2024. You will complete an interview with Fr. Schooler, Mr. Kiley, or a member of the parish faith formation staff in class in mid March – it will be helpful if you are able to discuss the saint you have chosen and why at that time (please keep a copy for yourself). We will also discuss saints at the Confirmation retreat in the fall, so it is never too early to start looking into possible saints!

Resources for Saint Reports

Print: Bulter's Lives of the Saints (Bangley), Our Sunday Visitor's Encyclopedia of the Saints (Bunson), The Book of Saints (Watkins), Lives of the Saints (Kalberer, O.S.B.), Loyola Kids Book of Saints (Welborn)

Online: Saints and Angels – Catholic Online; Saint of the Day – Franciscan Media; Teaching the Saints – Institute for Church Life