Confirmation Saint Report Guidelines

The purpose of this project is for the candidate to reflect on his/her choice of saint for their Confirmation Name.

For Confirmation, it is a tradition that a person chooses a Confirmation name. Candidates may use their baptismal name, or they can choose a canonized saint as their 'Patron'.

Criteria: The saint should hold personal significance for the candidate. Our goal is to live the life God wanted us to live. In that spirit, pick a saint you are drawn to, share traits with, one you relate to or simply one with whom you feel a closeness and bond. If you aspire to be like your saint, then this is an opportunity to pray for his/her intercession on your behalf for those virtues or traits you admire.

Your report should include the following information in three (3) paragraphs:

The first paragraph should summarize the story of your saint, including his/her background, place of birth, historical era, how they became a saint, accomplishments, what the saint is best known for (e.g., Patron Saint of...). In this paragraph, outline specific characteristics, virtues and attributes that you learned about your saint.

Your second paragraph should summarize your experience praying, reflecting, and deciding on your saint. Explain the reason you chose this saint to be your inspiration for confirmation. For example, what qualities about this saint do you admire? What makes you want to be like this saint? Note any similarities between you and your saint in this section. Be sure to include what you liked best about your saint and what drew you to him/her.

Your final paragraph should be about striving toward virtues as your saint did. Point out areas in your life that need improvement and the ways you hope to grow by living your life as your saint lived his/her life. Summarize your own personal growth during this entire process of reflection and research. Your saint lived and died; this paper brings him/her alive in your heart. Only you know why you selected him/her, and along with your saint, we are excited to know about why this person means so much to you.

Your report should be typed in Times New Roman 12pt font, single spaced and a minimum of one page. Regardless of whether you use *Word* or *Google*, you are encouraged to use the *review* option for grammar and spelling errors.

Send your paper in document form (either Word or Google) **as an attachment** to

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