

# Confirmation Saint Name Project Guidelines

Candidates for Confirmation will select a saint whom they would like to have as a patron for the rest of their lives. After your child has prayed about which saint they would like to have as their lifelong patron, they will do a saint project in which they will include the following:

- Name of the Saint
- When and where did they live? (Date of Birth and Death; Location of Birth and Death)
- How did they live out their life? (What sort of life did they live prior to turning their hearts toward God, and how did they live afterward?)
- When is the saint's feast day?
- What is the saint patron of ?
- What inspires your child about this saint?
- Why did your child choose this saint?
- Have them make a prayer to this saint to assist them on their journey toward Confirmation.

Please keep in mind that your child will use this saint's name for their Confirmation Name and will be the name in which the bishop will Confirm them.

The bishop will say, “      **Saint Name**      , **receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit.**” The Confirmand (your child) will say, “**Amen**”. The bishop will then say, “**Peace be with you**” and your child will respond, “**And with your Spirit**”.

One tradition of the Church is that your child would choose the name of the saint in which they were baptized (ie. Ann, Mary, Joseph, Luke, etc.). If your child would like to use their baptismal name (and if their name is a saint's name), that would be fine. Otherwise, help your child pray about which saint they would like to take as their patron for the rest of their lives. If your child does want to use their baptismal saint's name, they will do their project on that saint.

Information on saints can be found in the Religious Education Office (these resources may not be checked out but may be used when the RE Office is open or by appointment), the public library, and on the Internet. Two suggested web sites are **[www.AmericanCatholic.org](http://www.AmericanCatholic.org)** and **[www.Catholic.org/saints](http://www.Catholic.org/saints)**. We want to know that candidates know about their saint; therefore, reports must be in the candidate's own words.

**Coversheet for Saint Project**  
**RETURN TO: Nancy Sanchez (DRE)**

Name of the Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Day of Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday at 4:30 PM  
                  \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday at 6:30 PM  
                  \_\_\_\_\_ Wednesday at 5:15 PM  
                  \_\_\_\_\_ Family Catechesis  
                  \_\_\_\_\_ Saint Agnes School Families (Project is part of classwork)

Name of the Saint: \_\_\_\_\_

How the Saint's name will appear when the Bishop Confirms your child: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Example: If your child does a project on Mary as Our Lady of Fatima, the name on the card for the bishop can be "Mary" or "Fatima". If your child does the project on St. Thomas Aquinas, the name can be "Thomas Aquinas" or "Thomas")

**Parents:**

My candidate's saint name project is complete and appropriate.

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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\*\*Catechist/Teacher:

**Report is:**

Complete \_\_\_\_\_ Incomplete \_\_\_\_\_ Presented: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Catechist: \_\_\_\_\_