

St. John the Baptist R.C. Church
Application for the Sacrament of Confirmation

(Please print)

Name _____ Phone _____

Confirmation Name _____ Age _____

Place of Baptism _____ Date of Baptism: _____
(If you were not baptized at St. John's, a copy of your Baptismal Certificate must accompany this form.)

Home Address _____

Father's Name _____

Mother's Maiden Name _____

Sponsor's Name _____

Sponsor's Current Parish _____
(If your Sponsor is not a registered member of St. John's, a Sponsor Certificate must be acquired from his/her parish.)

This form is due: _____

The Sponsor Certificate, if needed is due: _____

I, _____, understand that my preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation is a responsibility that I choose to accept, I thereby agree to:

- * cooperate to the best of my ability with the parish program preparing me for the sacrament of Confirmation
- * participate in the learning sessions, activities, and spiritual opportunities provided by my parish community
- * try to become a more active and involved member of this parish
- * offer my talents and services where needed
- * accept more responsibility in my family, community, and parish
- * participate in weekend and Holyday Masses regularly
- * pray for growth in Faith, Hope, and Love
- * seriously reflect on my decision to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation

I place myself in the loving hands of God asking blessings and assistance, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, that I may keep the promises that I have made by this agreement.

Candidate's signature: _____

Witnesses: Parent (s) _____

Sponsor _____

Teacher(s) _____



Dear Bishop _____,

I, _____, a member of the parish of _____
in _____,
ask you to confirm me as a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

I want to receive the sacrament of Confirmation because _____

I have prepared for the sacrament of Confirmation by _____

I have asked _____ to
present me to you on the day of my Confirmation and to be a witness as
you anoint me with sacred chrism and seal my commitment to Jesus and
his Church in this sacrament. I have made this choice because _____

The name by which I wish to be called at my Confirmation is _____
_____. I have chosen this name
because _____

I know that the gifts of the Holy Spirit that I will receive at Confirmation
will help me to bear witness to the gospel of Jesus and to join in building
up his Church, his Body. I wish to share in that work in a special way by

Sincerely,

THE CONFIRMATION QUESTIONS

(FROM THE BASIC CATECHISM)

WHAT IS CONFIRMATION?

Confirmation is the sacrament in which the Holy Spirit comes to us in a special way to join us more closely to Jesus and His church and to seal and strengthen us as Christ's witnesses.

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WHAT ARE THE SACRAMENTS?

The Sacraments are sacred signs through which Jesus gives us His Spirit and makes us holy and pleasing to Him by grace.

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HOW MANY SACRAMENTS ARE THERE?

There are seven sacraments.

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WHAT ARE THE NAMES OF THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS?

The seven sacraments are: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist, Penance, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders and Matrimony.

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HOW IS CONFIRMATION GIVEN?

The bishop extends his hands over the person and anoints the forehead in the form of a cross while saying: "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit." The person being confirmed answers, "Amen," meaning, "Let it be so." The Gift is the Holy Spirit Himself. He is the Gift of the Father and the Son to us.

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WHAT IS CHRISM?

Chrism is a blessed mixture of oil and balm used during the baptismal ceremony, in Confirmation, during the ordination of priests and bishops, and in the consecration of churches, altars, and other things.

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WHO IS THE MINISTER OF CONFIRMATION?

The bishop is the ordinary minister of Confirmation.

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WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF CONFIRMATION?

The effects of Confirmation are: an increase of sanctifying grace, the gift of a special sacramental grace and the imprint of a lasting character on the soul.

WHAT ARE THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

The gifts of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, right judgment (or counsel), courage (or fortitude), knowledge, reverent love (or piety) and holy fear.

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THE CHOOSING OF A CHRISTIAN NAME

Many people choose an additional saint's name at Confirmation. The preferred name, however, is the baptismal name because it expresses the relationship that exists between Baptism and Confirmation.

If a new name is taken, however, it should be the name of a recognized saint of the Catholic church. If the baptismal name is not that of a recognized saint, a new name should be chosen for Confirmation.

Names of saints are chosen to serve as patrons and models for those being confirmed. Candidates should choose a patron saint's name, not because of the attractiveness of the name, but because of the attractiveness of the Christian life that that person led.

Find out more about your patron saint's life. Choose either your baptismal or confirmation patron.

Saint's Name: _____ Feast Day: _____

Name or derivative you have selected to use to honor this special patron: _____

Saint's place of birth: _____

Find out something about this saint's:

• Family: _____

• Occupation: _____

• Life and /or death: _____

What virtues did this saint practice in his/her life? _____

What aspect of this person's Christian life attracted you? _____

How is this saint a model for Christians today? _____

Ask your parents or whoever named you how they picked the name you received at birth? Your baptismal name? Then write (on back) a brief story about what you found out.

Candidate's full name: _____ Date: _____

St. John the Baptist
Confirmation Community Service Form

Name: _____ Grade _____

Phone: _____

Place of Service: _____

Date of Service: _____

Type of Service Given: _____

Time Started: _____ Time Ended: _____ Total time: _____

Supervisor's Signature: (any adult in charge) _____

Student Reflection:

Who were the people you were serving?

How did you respond to the people?

How did you experience God in this service? How did you experience building up the Body of Christ?

Prayer for those you served:

Student Signature: _____