

# CHOOSING A CONFIRMATION SAINT NAME:



### CONFIRMATION II PREPARATION



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### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

A name is important. It is one of the ways we know and identify people. When you were born, your parents chose your name. They may have chosen your name in honor of a special person in their lives: a grandparent, aunt or uncle, or close friend. They may have chosen your name for the meaning behind it. Perhaps they chose your name because they felt a close connection to a holy man or woman of our faith- one of the saints. Maybe they just really liked your name! Most likely, it was a combination of many factors. (If you do not know why your parents chose the name they did for you, why not ask them about it?)

Your name gives you an identity; it tells others who you are. Throughout our lives, we will identify ourselves with many names- the name of the mascot of our school, the name of the region of the country we live in, the title of the career we choose.

However, there is a name above all names that, through our Baptism, we should strive to be known to the world by- and that name is Catholic Christian. At your Baptism, you were called by name, and christened to become a child of God. You entered into the Catholic community by name.

### NOW YOU CHOOSE!

As part of your preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, you have the privilege and responsibility, just like your parents did when you were born, to choose a name.

- Your Confirmation names needs to be an official Roman-Catholic saint.
- The name you select can be associated with someone in your life, your parish, or your community whom you respect and admire.
- You can choose your baptismal name or you can choose a completely new name.
- Saints are people who bore witness to God with their lives; they are people we
  can look up to and try to imitate. So please, PRAY! Just as you should pray
  about any decision you have to make, ask the Holy Spirit to guide you as you
  choose a saint as your patron/patroness.
- Chose a saint name for more than just the name itself, choose for the story behind the saint and how that saint can help you as you go forward in life.

## YOUR FIRST, MIDDLE, AND LAST NAME: CONFIRMATION SAINT NAME CHOSEN: WHY DO YOU LOOK UP TO THIS SAINT? SHARE AN INTRIGUING FACT ABOUT THIS SAINT: SHARE A PRAYER TO YOUR SAINT, IT CAN BE ONE IN YOUR OWN WORDS, OR A PRAYER YOU FOUND.