

Confirmation Request Form

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE AND BE ACCURATE. THIS INFORMATION IS RECORDED IN OUR CHURCH REGISTER.

CANDIDATE NAME _____

HOME PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

(Street Number)

(Street Name)

(City)

(State/Zip)

DATE OF BIRTH _____ DATE OF BAPTISM _____

(month/day/year)

(month/day/year)

CONFIRMATION NAME (optional) _____ AGE AT CONFIRMATION _____

(saint name)

PLACE OF BAPTISM _____

(Name of the Church)

CHURCH OF ORIGIN ADDRESS _____

(Typically this is the church of Baptism.

(Street Number)

(Street Name)

For converts, this is where you made your

Profession of Faith.)

(City)

(State/Zip)

(Country)

FATHER'S NAME _____

(first)

(middle)

(last)

MOTHER'S NAME _____

(first)

(middle)

(MAIDEN)

SPONSOR'S NAME _____

(first)

(last)

SPONSOR'S NAME(S) _____

(first)

(last)

Sponsor & Saint Name Information

What is a Confirmation Sponsor?

Confirmation sponsors journey with those preparing for full initiation into the Church. A sponsor is a faithful friend and mentor that helps guide the candidate and shares their experiences of Christian life. Godparents are encouraged to serve as sponsors because of their intimate connection with the Sacrament of Baptism (which Confirmation strengthens and seals). The sponsor continues journeying in faith with the candidate well beyond Confirmation day.

Sponsor Requirements:

- ❖ Must be at least 16-years-old
- ❖ Must be fully initiated into the Church (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation)
- ❖ Must be a practicing Catholic in good standing (if married, in accordance with the Church)
- ❖ Parents and spouses **cannot** be sponsors
- ❖ **If the sponsor is not a member of St. Rita Catholic Community, please have his/her parish send a letter (typically from the pastor's office) certifying that he/she is a fully initiated current practicing member of the community. Confirmation candidate's name should also be included on the letter from the parish.**
 - **Letters may be mailed to:**
Fr. Joshua J. Whitfield
Office of Faith Formation and Education
St. Rita Catholic Community
12521 Inwood Road
Dallas, TX 75244

Role of the Sponsor:

- ❖ Journey with the Confirmation candidate during preparation for and after Confirmation
- ❖ Be available to the candidate with time, prayer, questions, and support.
- ❖ Present the Confirmation candidate to the Bishop and the community of faith

Confirmation/Saint Name:

The Church offers countless examples of people who encounter God and are given a new name (Abram becomes Abraham, Simon becomes Peter, etc.) The Sacrament of Confirmation offers us a new opportunity to take on a name of faith. As such, all those preparing to receive the sacrament *may* take a saint's name as they continue living for Christ.

Saints are models for us, and candidates should choose a saint that will inspire them. Confirmation names must be of canonized saints (not "blessed"), and it is perfectly acceptable for a candidate to use his/her own name or baptismal name for Confirmation.

Please take time to investigate the lives of different saints and identify ways you can emulate your saint in daily life.