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Confirmation Name / Saint Report Guidelines

Introduction

Choosing a saint is an important part of the Confirmation process. Quite often in the bible we read that various people who received special graces, that were recognized by Jesus or God to be instrumental to the future of the faith, received **NEW NAMES**. Yes, a new name, which signified God's new covenant with them.

You soon will be embarking on a new covenant with God as you choose to follow Christ on your own. Though your parents had chosen your given name at birth or baptism, at Confirmation, the choice is now yours!! In becoming a confirmed follower of Christ, you can take on a new spiritual name that you will pick.

When deciding on your new name, spend some time reading about the saints in the Church. After reading about their lives, decide which saint you would like to imitate. You can do most of your research online- there are thousands of saint websites on the web- to investigate them. If one saint intrigues you, you should read more about him/her and decide if their "name" is right for you. **Note:** If, however, you would like to keep your birth name as your Saint's Name, just make sure **your name** and the **Saint chosen** share the same name.

When you recognize the saint you would like to connect with, fill out the form on page 2, turn it in to your teacher/catechist (or Religious Education office), and begin to research/write your report. Remember, when you get confirmed, the Bishop will use your **new name** when he anoints and confirms you.

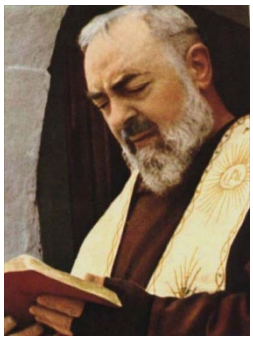
Saint Report Guidelines

Once you have chosen a Saint's name to use for Confirmation, you must begin your research and write a report on that Saint with the following specifications.

- **Report Length:** Two- page minimum, typed (This does not include the Title page, Introduction page, Picture or Bibliography.)

- **Page Setup:**
  Double-Spaced
  Font - Times New Roman, size 12
  Margins – 1 inch
  (Your report setup should match this page)

- **Content/Order:**
  Title Page
  Saint's Name
  Saint's Biography (condensed)
  Saint's Date of Birth
  Date Canonized
  Your Name
  Confirmation Year
  Date of Report



St. Pio of Pietrelcina

St. Catherine of Siena

- **Introduction Page –**
  Thirty (30) words or more telling why you selected this Saint.

- **Saint's Picture –**
  Drawn by you, copied from book, or copied from website.

- **Information About Your Saint**– Main body of report – 2 pages minimum.
  When & where they lived
  Their childhood (if applicable)
  Their adult life (if applicable)
  Why they were made a Saint
  The date of their canonization and the Pope who canonized them.
  What attracted you to this saint- Describe how this saint relates to you. Did you choose your name in honor of a loved one? Are you an athlete and loved the life of St. Sebastian? Are you an artist and found the life of St. Catherine inspiring?

- **Bibliography –**
  Skip a line between each resource.
  Give the author's name, title of the book or article, and the year of publication.
  List web site information for internet articles.

Your report should be placed in a folder with your name and the date on the cover and submitted **on or before** its due date *(based on the **Dates to Remember 2025-2026 Confirmation II calendar**).*