

Letter to the Bishop

St. Ursula Parish Confirmation

As part of all Confirmation programs in the Archdiocese, each candidate is asked to write a letter to our confirming Bishop stating your desire to be confirmed and also why it is that you are making this choice. Often, the Bishop will use pieces of these letters in his homily at your confirmation. It is important that you keep this letter to one page, but answer the questions the Bishop asks thoughtfully. Your letters should be typed. **YOU SHOULD TURN YOUR LETTER IN ON FEBRUARY 10th ---IN CLASS.** We will then send all the letters to the Bishop's office in one envelope.

Some guidelines for writing a letter:

1. Include a greeting such as, "Dear Bishop Parker,"
2. In your first paragraph be sure to introduce yourself and request that you would like to be confirmed. Tell the Bishop your name, grade, school, etc. Give some reasons why being confirmed is important to you.
3. In a following paragraph, explain how you have prepared for the sacrament. Talk about things like your prayer life, confirmation classes, service, your retreat experience, the things you have done within the parish, etc.
4. Tell the Bishop what Confirmation name you have chosen and why you chose it.
5. Make sure there is a sentence or two (or an entire paragraph) that concludes your letter by thanking the Bishop for reading your letter and for confirming you and your peers.
6. End with, "Sincerely," and sign your name.

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