

# CONFIRMATION NAME REPORT

Baptismal Name \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmation Name \_\_\_\_\_

ALL CANDIDATES are required to research & write a report on the name they have chosen. Please follow these guidelines:

- If you choose a saint's name, the first paragraph is to be about the particular saint whose name you are choosing. The second paragraph is to be about why you are choosing this particular saint. What symbolism or meaning does this saint hold for you? What do you hope to gain by modeling yourself after this saint?
- If you choose to keep your baptismal name, the first paragraph is to be about why you are choosing to keep your baptismal name. The second paragraph is to be about the saint for which you are named and, if applicable, who you were named after and why.

## CHOOSING A CONFIRMATION NAME

- **Choose a saint's name** that would symbolize a new beginning in your faith life and a connection with that particular saint. This would be especially true if you felt that you have not been particularly strong in your faith and are now making a renewed commitment to your faith. Your commitment would be symbolized with the taking of a new name to show that you are in some ways now a new person. This new name would be used after your present middle name and before your last/family name.
- The particular saint's name chosen might represent:
  1. The direction you feel your faith life is taking
  2. Represent a strength or attribute you feel you need
- It is important and necessary to learn something about the saints before you make a decision on a name. Do not pick a name because you like the sound of the name, how it fits with your other names, or because it is the name of a nice friend or relative.
- **You may also choose to keep your baptismal name.** To stay with your baptismal name might demonstrate:
  1. That you feel there has been a continual growth in your faith and now you wish to make this formal through Confirmation
  2. It might also signify the sacramental connection with the first and second part of your initiation into the Catholic Church - Baptism & Eucharist