

Letter to the Pastor

If you plan to be confirmed, you must make a request by writing a letter to our Pastor, Fr. Matt McGinness. Your decision to be confirmed is an important one - it is a time to follow Christ and answer His call to holiness in the world.

Letter Instructions

- 1) Please TYPE your letter.
- 2) Take PRIDE in your writing.
- 3) NEATNESS counts - Do NOT scratch out OR white out.
- 4) Please SIGN your letter in *cursive*, followed by your typewritten name.
- 5) INCLUDE the elements included in the example letter

Example letter format

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish
1321 Stratford Lane
Wichita, KS 67206

Date

Dear Fr. McGinness,

Explain in your own words why you want to be confirmed and why you feel you are ready to be confirmed:

- Give examples from your life and your family explaining how you serve His Church and how you practice your faith as a Catholic; how you sacrifice your time, talent and treasure for His Kingdom.
- Explain what aspects of Confirmation classes you've grown from the most so far, and how you plan on responding to the grace of the sacrament once you receive it.
- Share with him your own personal insights concerning how you have been preparing for this sacrament. Share how you strive to be Christ-like in your daily life.
- **Name your sponsor and explain why you selected him/her.**
- **Name the patron saint's name you have selected and explain why you selected that saint, or how you hope this saint will help you grow in your prayer life and faith.**
- Talk about how you will live your life as a Christian man/woman in the Church in the future.
- Search the Scriptures and find a phrase or sentence that says something about the way you want to live your life.

Sincerely,

Signature

Type Name