

LETTERS TO THE BISHOP

You are to write a letter to the Bishop expressing your desire to receive the sacrament. Since the Bishop cannot be present in each parish to meet the candidates prior to reception of the sacrament, the letters allow him to get to know something about you and your preparation for the sacrament.

The following format is recommended:

1. Introduce yourself by discussing family, school, activities, etc.
2. Describe what you have done to prepare for the sacrament.
3. Tell the Bishop who your sponsor is and why you chose that person.
4. Candidate may tell the Bishop what saint name they have chosen and why he/she has chosen that saint.
5. Ask to receive the sacrament, and explain why you desire to be confirmed (for example: I am writing to request the sacrament of Confirmation because...).