

## **CONFIRMATION PAPERWORK EXPLANATION**

*All paperwork needs to be submitted in order to schedule your Discernment Interview. If you have any questions or are having a problem with something, please contact us so we can discuss it. If you are experiencing difficulty choosing a sponsor who is eligible, the church has parishioners who can fulfill that obligation.*

*All papers combined will take **one hour at the most to complete** and should be at least **one well thought out, complete paragraph**. (One opening sentence, three supporting sentences and one concluding sentence.) Each of the papers has a detailed explanation on them about what is required. **These are the only papers you will be asked to complete and we expect your best effort on them.** Use this checklist as you complete the paperwork.*

### Confirmation Name Paper

- The name you choose should signify your resolve and commitment to live as a disciple of Jesus and member of the Church.
- A canonized saint who shares your name, birthdate or who is the patron saint of a passion you have is a good choice. Example: if you have a love of music, you may wish to choose St. Cecelia.
- Honoring a deceased loved one who was a positive role model in your spiritual life may also be a good choice.

### Confirmation Sponsor

- You are preparing to confirm your Catholic faith, to become an adult member of the Catholic Church and live as a disciple of Jesus Christ. It would only make sense that the person you choose to sponsor you on this journey is committed to doing the same. Your chosen sponsor must be an active practicing confirmed Catholic.
- Your paper should clearly explain your reasons for choosing this person, and how this person has positively influenced your faith life.

### Bishop Letter

- This is a formal letter to the Bishop and should reflect your very best effort. Complete sentences and paragraphs along with correct spelling are necessary. The final letter should be typed with an original signature.
- It will be reviewed, corrected and returned for you to fix if necessary.
- Your final corrected and signed copy of this letter is due by your Discernment Interview.

### Baptism Certificate

- Anyone who was baptized somewhere other than at St. Denis Church needs to provide us with an official, signed and stamped baptism certificate.

**BAPTISM CERTIFICATE NEEDED:**      YES       NO

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