

Confirmation Candidate Information Sheet  
Due: Sunday, January 24, 2021

Full Name of Confirmation Candidate:

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Candidate's Confirmation Name (Saint Name):

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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Baptism Location (full name and address of Parish or Place) and Baptism Date:

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**DO NOT LEAVE BAPTISM INFORMATION BLANK. If you don't know, call the Baptismal Parish.**

Candidate's Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Parent's names:

Father: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother, include maiden name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of **Sponsor**: \_\_\_\_\_

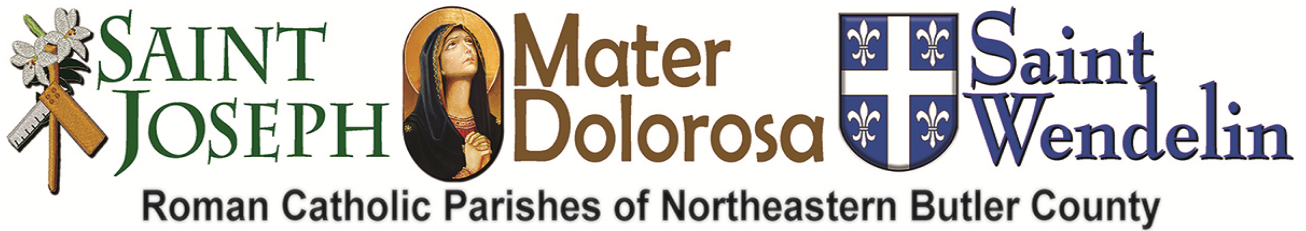
Name and Address of **Sponsor's Home Parish**: \_\_\_\_\_

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**If the sponsor is from a parish other than St. Joseph, Mater Dolorosa, or St. Wendelin**, they must provide documentation from that parish that they are a Catholic in good standing. It can be given to the candidate to be turned in, or it can be mailed to:

St. Wendelin Parish  
Confirmation Sponsor Information  
210 St. Wendelin Road  
Butler, PA 16002

St. Wendelin must receive Sponsor documentation (either turned in by the student or sponsor or mailed to the Parish) by the Confirmation Retreat, which is Saturday, February 29, 2020. Email or fax is not acceptable.



## Remaining Confirmation Class Schedule

**December 13**

**January 10**

**January 24 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATE SHEET IS DUE  
CONFIRMATION INFORMATION CARD IS DUE**

**February 3**

**February 14 COPY OF SPONSOR LETTER IS DUE**

**February 17** Ash Wednesday, Lent Begins

**February 28 SAINT REPORT IS DUE  
PASTOR INTERVIEWS**

**March 14 PASTOR INTERVIEWS**

**March 28** Palm Sunday, Final Class  
**BISHOP LETTER IS DUE  
SERVICE HOURS SHEET IS DUE**

**Unscheduled** Confirmation Retreat with Sponsors  
Confirmation Service/Mass, which is assigned by the Diocese

## Seven Confirmation Requirements

1. Confirmation Candidate Information Sheet - due: Sunday, January 24, 2021
2. Confirmation Candidate Card (central office use) - due: Sunday, January 24, 2021
3. Sponsor Stuff

A **copy** of the letter from the candidate to the sponsor is due: Sunday, February 14, 2021, minimum of two paragraphs and it **MUST BE TYPED**. Original letter is sent to sponsor and a **copy** is given to CCD. If the sponsor is not a St. Joseph, Mater Dolorosa, or St. Wendelin parishioner, documentation is required from the Parish where they attend that they are a Catholic in good standing.

The candidate letter to the sponsor will include:

  - ~ Ask them to be your sponsor and explain why you chose them.
  - ~ Ask for guidance and support.
  - ~ Invite them to the Retreat on TBA

Tell them it includes dinner, instruction about being a sponsor, some fun stuff, a run-thru of the service, and 4:00pm Mass.

**\*\*Sponsor cannot be a parent, must be over 16, a practicing Catholic in good standing including having been Confirmed.**
4. Saint Report – due: Sunday, February 28, 2021 - minimum of two pages, **MUST BE TYPED**.
  - ~ Which saint have you chosen that you will try to emulate and always pray to?  
If there is more than one saint with that name (St. Francis) specify which one (St. Francis of Assisi or Paola).
  - ~ Why is this the chosen saint? What about him or her is meaningful to you?
  - ~ Summarize the saint's life - when and where did they live, what were their living conditions, what was going on in their community and the world when they were alive, how did they die, other interesting pieces of information
  - ~ What impresses you most about this person's life?
  - ~ What special virtues did this Saint have?
  - ~ How can you imitate this saint today, in 2021 and beyond? Be specific!
  - ~ When is the saint's feast day?
  - ~ What is this saint the patron saint of?
  - ~ Include a picture, if possible.
5. Bishop's Letter – due: Sunday, March 28, 2021 - minimum of one page and it **MUST BE TYPED**.
  - ~ Name yourself and your home parish and ask the Bishop to be Confirmed.
  - ~ Make sure the heading addresses the Bishop correctly.
  - ~ Why do you want to celebrate this Sacrament?
  - ~ What gift or gifts of the Holy Spirit will affect you the most and why?
  - ~ What Confirmation name have you chosen and why.
  - ~ Who is your sponsor and why did you choose him or her.
  - ~ Something really awesome about you!
6. Service Hours – PLEASE turn in only the 2020/21 Confirmation Service Hours Sheet  
Please do not turn in scraps of paper! Please do not turn in unsigned hours!  
Please do not wait until March 27 because it is due: March 28, 2021!  
Service is: "voluntary work intended to help people in a particular area," such as volunteering at church and school events, or in your neighborhood, NOT regular household activities. There can be no financial compensation or reward.
7. Pastor Interview – Candidates are interviewed one-on-one by Fr. Matt. This will happen during class time closer to the end of our formation year. He wants to know what you have learned and how you plan to use that knowledge. He will ask about your saint and sponsor. He will determine if you (not your Family) want to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

## Sample Letters

### **Sample for Sponsor Letter – TYPED original to sponsor, copy to CCD**

Date

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

This letter is to ask you to be my Confirmation sponsor! I am asking you because \_\_\_\_\_. I trust that you will be able to provide guidance and support for me as I continue on my faith journey.

Will you be able to attend a Retreat with me on Saturday, February 29 at St. Wendelin Parish? You will need to be there at 2:00pm and the first thing we will do is run through what Confirmation will be like. After that we will attend Mass at 4:00pm with other candidates and sponsors, then have dinner after Mass.

Love,  
Your Name

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### **Sample for Bishop Letter – TYPED original to CCD**

**\*\*This can't be prepared until we know who our Bishop will be and when Confirmation is scheduled.\*\***

The Most Reverend \_\_\_\_\_  
(Auxiliary) Bishop  
Diocese of Pittsburgh  
111 Boulevard of the Allies  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-1618  
(Date)

Your Excellency,

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I belong to \_\_\_\_\_ Parish. I will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from you on \_\_\_\_\_ at St. Wendelin Parish.

Tell about yourself, such as: why do you want to celebrate this Sacrament, what gifts of the Holy Spirit will affect you the most and why, what Confirmation name have you chosen and why, who is your sponsor and why did you choose him or her, something really awesome about you, and anything else you would like to add.

Sincerely,  
Your Name

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**Saint Report Outline – These are just suggestions. Be creative and dig deep!**

Full name of Saint

Where (more than one location?) and when did he/she live?

What was going on in the world at the time of their existence? Summarize their life.

Miracle(s) attributed? Special virtues? A martyr? Is there a Prayer to this Saint?

Feast Day? Patron Saint of what?

What impresses you most about this person's life?

How can you imitate this Saint today, in 2021 and beyond? Be specific!