## **Confirmation Information Sheet**

# St. Mary Catholic | Kenosha, WI

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Confirmand Information**

Please state name as you would li	ke it to be recorded in o	our Church Rec	ords and on the C	onfirmation Certificate, etc.
Name				
ddressCity/State/Zip				
E-mail Address	nail Address Phone Number			
Date of Birth	City/.	City/State of Birth		
Baptism		Date of Baptism		
Parish	City/State			
Confirmation Saint Name				
Please attach Saint Paper				
Parent Information				
Parent(s) Name				
Mothers Maiden Name				
Address				
E-mail Address		Phone	Number	
Sponsor Information				
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Sponsor Name				
Address	City/	State/Zip		
E-mail Address		Phone	Number	
Sponsor's relationship to Candidat	e			
Received the Three Sacraments of	Initiation? Circle one	YES NO		
Sponsor's Home Parish				
		City		State

Please turn this sheet in by Sunday, December 3, 2023

#### **CHOOSING A SAINT NAME**

Each year, as we prepare for the Sacrament, we receive general questions regarding the name used by the candidate. Please use the following criteria when choosing your Saint Name.

- Candidates may use their baptismal name or another Christian name when receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- A Christian name would be the name of a saint or blessed.
- Derivatives of names (Kelly for Catherine; Jenna for Genevieve) or Old Testament names are also appropriate.
- Candidates may use their first or second names if they are Christian names, or they may select a new Christian name.
- The candidate should know the relationship of the name to the religious Christian tradition.
- Most importantly, candidates should be encouraged to learn about their patron as part of their preparation for the sacrament and should particularly focus on the virtues of their patron they wish to emulate.

#### **CHOOSING A SPONSOR**

Each candidate is to have a sponsor.

What is the role of a Sponsor? The role of the sponsor is that of being a faith companion who will assist the candidate in preparing for the Sacrament. The sponsor should be mature in their faith. The sponsor also presents the candidate for the Sacrament and is there for the candidate to help live out their Catholic faith.

To be admitted to the role of sponsor, a person must:

- Be designated by the one to be confirmed
- Be at least 16 years old
- Be a Catholic who has been confirmed and who has already received the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist and leads a life in harmony with the faith and the role to be undertaken
- Not be bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared
- Not be the father or mother of the one to be confirmed (c. 874)

A sponsor may be either male or female.

#### FAQ

- 1. **May a candidate have more than one sponsor?** YES. However, only one should be designated as the liturgical sponsor who will present the candidate for the sacrament.
- 2. **May parents be sponsors?** Parents may not act as sponsors (c. 874). While parents are not to serve as sponsors, their role in the faith development of their children is not to be underplayed or minimized.
- 3. May someone who cannot be present be a sponsor and someone else fill in as proxy? YES. However, it is recommended that someone nearby be chosen as the sponsor so that she or he can become more intimately involved in the candidate's preparation.
- 4. **May a priest, deacon or professed religious be a sponsor?** Priests, deacons, and men and women religious may be sponsors. Religious do so in accord with their own constitutions and usually only with permission from their superior.