

## St. Gregory the Great Parish - Confirmation Preparation

# REFLECTION PAPER ON CONFIRMATION SAINT

### Guidelines in Choosing a Confirmation 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.

All Confirmation Candidates are to write a 1-2 page Reflection Paper on the Saint they chose for their Confirmation name. The paper is **due on October 13**. Include the following:

- Who were they?
- Background as a young person
- Their conversion story
- Why are they a saint?
- What about them attracted you to learning more about them?
- Why have you chosen them?
- How will you model your life after them?

**THOU SHALL NOT STEAL - DO NOT PLAGIARIZE BY COPYING AND PASTING FROM WEBSITES!!** Feel free to use online resources, but if it is suspected a candidate copied and pasted, the paper will have to be redone.

### Various Online Saint Resources

Catholic Online <http://www.catholic.org/saints/>

1. EWTN (Global Catholic Network) <http://www.ewtn.com/saintsHoly/>
2. New Advent Catholic Encyclopedia <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/index.html>
3. Roman Catholic Saints <http://www.roman-catholic-saints.com/>
4. Archdiocese of Milwaukee - Confirmation Name Guidelines <http://www.johnpaul2center.org/Catechesis/YouthMinistry/ConfirmationNames1.htm>