

LETTER TO MONSIGNOR JOHN

Each student wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation is to write a letter (typed) to Fr. John requesting this sacrament and explaining to him why you think you are properly prepared for the sacrament. This activity takes the place of the traditional interview with the Pastor. A list of who has and has not turned in the letters will be kept by the pastor and youth director.

Make the letter sincere and from the heart. Below is a suggested guideline to assist you in writing your letter.

GREETING

Begin your letter with an appropriate greeting to Monsignor John

BODY

Paragraph 1: Introduce yourself, tell him about yourself, your family, and your background. Include a photo of yourself.

Paragraph 2: Explain why you want to be Confirmed. Give several reasons. Include your understanding of what the Sacrament of Confirmation is.

Paragraph 3: Explain how you have prepared for the sacrament. Tell about specifics- your prayer life, service, retreats, etc. Mention anything that you believe helped you get ready to become a fully initiated Catholic.

Paragraph 4: Tell about your sponsor, why you picked him/her.

Paragraph 5: Tell about the saint you picked as your Confirmation name.

Paragraph 6: Tell how you will be true to the vows you make at Confirmation (the Creed.) Explain what you will do to continue your faith growth and involvement.

CONCLUSION

Give a respectful salutation and sign the letter with you first and last name.

ENVELOPE

Please put your letter in an envelope with the following on the front-

“To: Monsignor John

From: (Your first and last name)”

ALL LETTERS SHOULD BE MAILED TO OR HANDED TO FR. JOHN OR TO JOHN VALENTINO IN THE YOUTH OFFICE BY SUNDAY, JANUARY 24.

MAIL TO

Reverend Monsignor John McCaffrey

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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