

Confirmation Saint Bio

This project is due November 1, 2017

A part of your Confirmation process is praying about and picking a Confirmation Saint to be your patron as a mature Catholic. This assignment is meant to help you learn about the saint or biblical person you plan to select. You need to do research about the individual and complete a short biography about them. If appropriate, the confirmandi may use their baptismal name again. He/she should understand that a saint (or biblical figure) name is to be chosen to embody a model and intercessor.

You may consider many things while praying about a Confirmation name. Who was the individual? How did they relate to the world? How are you similar to them? Where did they grow up? What were they passionate about? What are they now the patron of? No matter which individual you choose they become *your* patron. This means they will be looking out for you in a special way for your entire life until one day when you meet them in heaven! How can you strive to live like someone if you know nothing about them? This is why we require you to complete the Confirmation Saint Bio.

Why is it even important to feel a connection with a saint? As Catholics, we know the power of having the saints pray (or intercede) for us. The saints' lives point to Christ as "the way, the truth, and the life." Many saints are patrons of different things. For example, St. Cecilia is the patron saint of musicians and St. Aloysius Gonzaga is the patron saint of Catholic youth.

Important note:

The name of the saint you choose is the name that you will take as your own at Confirmation. For example if you choose St. Anthony, the Bishop will say, "Anthony, be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit" as you are Confirmed.

1. **Where to do research:**

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

<http://www.roman-catholic-saints.com/>

<http://www.catholic-saints.info/>

<http://www.catholic-pages.com/dir/saints.asp>

Your local library – Sanctioned Roman Catholic Saint Books

Butler's Lives of the Saints – Church Youth Office

Books on Saints – Church Youth Office

If research is done online, please be sure that the site you are gathering your information from is a Roman Catholic website. If you are unsure, please contact us by email –send us the link to the webpage you are reviewing.

Confirmation Saint Bio Information to be sure to include

- ❖ Name of Saint or biblical figure.
- ❖ Date of birth and date of death (if available, if not give at least the century.)
- ❖ Profession or vocation of the individual if applicable.
- ❖ Reasons why the person is important to the Catholic Church.
- ❖ Reasons why you are drawn to this individual.
- ❖ What are they the patron of?
- ❖ Is there a symbol usually associated with this individual? If so what?
- ❖ How you plan to use this individual as a model for your faith journey?

You may add additional information regarding the individual. These are the basic points you should know and share about the individual.