

GUIDELINES FOR BISHOP'S LETTER

If you want to publicly affirm what you believe about Jesus and His Church, then you must ask to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from the Bishop. The Bishop is the one who administers the Sacrament of Confirmation.

It is customary for each candidate to legibly write or type a letter to the Bishop expressing his/her desire to be confirmed. You are asked to bring it with you to your retreat. The letters will be collected and sent to the Bishop. Below you will find a sample letter. Please fill in your specifics.

Dear Bishop _____*,

My name is _____ and I wish to be confirmed on Date *.

For two years ... **(tell him what you have done to prepare yourself for this special day. Mention what you learned in your classes, what you did for your service projects and any positive feelings about your service projects. You can also mention the name you wish to be called at Confirmation and the reason for your choice. Lastly, tell how you hope to live the gifts of the Spirit as a member of your parish.) (Be yourself, Be original)**

After these two years of preparation, I feel that I am ready. I want to be Confirmed because ... **(tell him in your own words why and tell him what Confirmation means to you personally.)**

Sincerely Yours, (some closing)

(Your Signature)

NOTE:

** -Be creative- The Bishop reads all letters and sometimes quotes from them!