

ST. KEVIN CONFIRMATION NAME FORM

The Sacrament of Confirmation completes your full initiation into the Catholic Church which was begun at your Baptism. When you were baptized, an important part of the rite was claiming you, by name, for God. Your name was formally stated for the Church community for the first time. This name was chosen for you by your family and represents who you are. Your name may have been chosen to recognize another family member, to honor a saint or because your parents thought it "fit" you.

In Catholic tradition, your Baptismal name usually includes the name of a canonized saint of the Church. This shows your connection to the wider Church family and to the customs and traditions of the Church. In past times, Catholic children were often given the name of the Saint on whose feast day they were born or of a saint important to their family or area.

When you complete your initiation at Confirmation, an important part of the rite is to again be called by name for God and the Church. While at Confirmation, we are "confirming" the initiation begun at Baptism using your Baptismal name, if your name does not include a Saint name, this becomes the time to select one. This recognizes your deeper connection to the Catholic Church and its traditions. And while this is not a Church law, it is a past tradition, so that each Confirmation Candidate has a connection to a particular saint to use as a role model and inspiration.

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To help us prepare for your Confirmation, have your parent assist you in completing the form below:

- Baptismal Name (First, Middle, Last)

- Why did your family choose your first and middle names?

- Saint name under which you would like to be confirmed: _____

- Why do you wish to choose this Saint for your Confirmation name? _____

- What is one important thing to know about this Saint?

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____