

Your letter is due by Sunday, February 2, 2017

Put in an envelope marked "Letter of Intent"

Please return to Sheila Noble in the RE Office

Do not give to Fr. Kevin directly or to your catechist

Guideline for Confirmation Letter of Intent to the Pastor

Before the celebration of Confirmation, the pastor is required by Canon Law to know that candidates are being properly prepared. He should also know that *you have a desire for and knowledge of the sacrament*. To help Father Kevin meet this responsibility, we ask you to write a letter to him. The letter is to address *at least* two basic questions:

1. "What does Confirmation mean to you?" In your own words, (at least **one or two paragraphs**) explaining what the sacrament of Confirmation means to you?

2. "**Why** do you feel you are ready to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation?" Again, in your own words, you are to state (**in two to three paragraphs**) *why you feel you are ready to celebrate this sacrament and how you will live your life of discipleship within the church after Confirmation.*

Be creative in your letter to Father Kevin! See some sentence starter examples below:

- I am (introduce yourself) ...
- To me, the sacrament of Confirmation means...
- I am ready to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation because...
- The Confirmation name I have chosen is... because...
- I have asked ... to be my sponsor because...
- I know that the 7 gifts of the Holy Spirit that I will be sealed and strengthened with at the celebration of Confirmation, will help me to bear witness to the gospel of Jesus and to join in building up the Church. I wish to share in that work in a special way by...
- I intend to be active at the Catholic Community of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in these ways.....