



Saints Philip and James RC Church
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Instructions for Writing Your “Confirmation Request” Letter to Our Pastor

In the Sacrament of Confirmation, you shall reaffirm your Baptism and be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit. As a sign of your commitment to your faith development, you are requested to write a letter to our Pastor, **Father Thomas J. Haggerty**, describing your desire to be confirmed.

In your letter, please include the following elements:

- State your chosen Confirmation Name
- Briefly describe the life of the Saint and why their story is significant to you.
- Tell Father who you have chosen to be your sponsor
 - Describe why is this person special in your life?
- Explain to Father why you want to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- List the service projects you have participated in, and describe what you have learned from these experiences
- Explain what you are doing to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

This letter can be either handwritten in pen (not pencil) or typed on stationery paper (not on loose-leaf paper). If typed, choose a font size of between 12 to 14 pts on 8 1/2" x 11" white paper. Address the letter to **Rev. Thomas J. Haggerty, Pastor**.

The letter must be submitted to your child's Catechist/Teacher by
January 29, 2020.

**IMPORTANT: Your letter is to be witnessed by your parent/parents
with both their names printed and then signed by you.**