



Saint Project

As part of learning more about the Church and those who have been exemplary examples of living lives of faith, we ask you to complete a Saint Project. It is to be about one page, typed. It is a peek, if you will, into the life of a Saint. At Confirmation, you will take a Christian name. This name can be your Christian baptismal name or it can be the name of a saint you have chosen. It should be a name with which you have a special relationship. You can ask your sponsor or parent for suggestions. This is a great way to involve your sponsor in your journey. Another great resource is your Decision Point book. Throughout the chapters, it highlights or references different saints. If one particularly speaks to you, you may choose to learn more about that saint.

In preparing for your project, collect a number of different suggestions. Do a simple search to discern what name you will ultimately choose. Do this with consideration and prayer. When you go to write your paper, some information to possibly include:

- Saint's name
- Birthday, Feast day,
- Place and time the saint lived. How did they live? What was the culture like? What was the lifestyle of your saint? Was your saint known to have good friends, be a writer, rich or poor, educated or uneducated? How did his or her holy work provide examples for us? If the saint lived a long time ago, how is he or she relevant to us in the modern world?
- What did YOU find most interesting about this saint?
- **Why did you pick this saint?** Will you cultivate a relationship with this saint through prayer?

Please make sure your name is on your paper.

In The Seal Of The Spirit, the Archdiocese of Baltimore provides the following guidance regarding the candidate's choice of Confirmation name:

In order to manifest the close relationship of Confirmation to Baptism, the candidates, according to the longstanding custom of the Church, may ^[1]~~SEP~~ retain their baptismal name. However, a special name may be chosen if desired, in which case it should be that of a recognized saint of the Church, or a person from scripture (CF Canon #855).