

# LETTER TO THE PASTOR

Dear Candidates:

When you receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, you will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church and into the St. Mary's parish family. Your call to spread and defend the faith will include a special commitment and dedication to your home parish both now and in the future.

Our pastor is very interested in and excited for each of you. He is the pastor and shepherd of every person in St. Mary's parish and school. On your Confirmation day, he will stand up and affirm to the bishop that you truly wish to be confirmed and that you have prepared well for Confirmation.

You are to write a letter to our pastor, Fr. Hathaway, telling him why you wish to be confirmed and how you intend to live your life as a confirmed Catholic. You will be given time in class to write a letter and then to type it. Please use the format below and be sure to proofread your letter (spelling, punctuation, grammar, etc.).

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## Outline of Letter:

*Your Name*  
*Your Address*

*Date*

Confirmation Letter to Pastor

Dear Fr. Hathaway,

Paragraph 1: Write at least 2-3 sentences stating why you wish to be confirmed.

Paragraph 2: Write at least 3-4 sentences telling how you have prepared for your Confirmation.

Paragraph 3: Describe what saint you have chosen as your patron/patroness and why you selected that saint.

Paragraph 4: Tell Fr. Hathaway what you intend to do to continue to grow in and live out your faith after your Confirmation.

Sincerely,

*[Space for your written signature]*  
*Your name*

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