



Letter to Fr. Rob Kinnally
Requesting the
Sacrament of Confirmation or
An Interview with a Priest

Due By March 2, 2020

Before you receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, Father Rob, your pastor, is required, by Canon Law, to testify to the bishop that you have been properly prepared and that you are freely and wholeheartedly approaching this sacrament. He should have every confidence that you know what you are entering into and that you are ready to receive the grace that comes with Confirmation. To assist Father Rob in meeting this requirement, we ask that you write a letter to him according to the outline below.

**Your letter is to be submitted to your catechist or Mrs. Osterndorf
no later than March 2, 2020.**

Instructions for preparing the letter:

1. All letters should be typed on plain white paper.
 2. Include the date on which the letter was written at the top of the letter
 3. Begin with the greeting "Dear Father Rob:"
 4. In the first sentence, request to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.
 5. Then answer these two questions about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, writing 5 or 6 sentences for each question:
 - a. How would you describe the gift of **reverence and awe** to someone who is not Christian and is not familiar with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit?
 - b. How do you think receiving the gift of **wisdom** is going to help you with the choices you will make in the future? Give at least one example of a choice you will have to make in high school and how the Holy Spirit's gift will assist you.
 6. Finally, answer this question in 3 or 4 sentences:
 - a. Why is it important to pray daily and attend Sunday Mass?
 7. Close the letter by typing your full name and signing your name above that.
- Thank you for taking the time to think and pray about your letter! I know Father Rob reads every letter and is looking forward to reading yours!

Interview with a Priest

Interviews are designed to help you appreciate your growing relationship with Jesus. The priest will ask why you feel you are ready to be confirmed. He will also answer any questions or concerns about Confirmation, your faith, or anything else.

If you are questioning your readiness to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please schedule an interview with a priest, via Mrs. Osterndorf. The priest can help you resolve any conflicts and answer any questions you may have.

If you prefer to have an interview with a priest, instead of writing a letter, please ask your parent or catechist to email Mrs. Osterndorf before March 2nd.

Please proofread your letter and check your spelling.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN YOUR NAME.

Please contact Mrs. Osterndorf at 203-652-1173
or confirmation@starcc.com with any questions or to schedule your interview.
