



CONFIRMATION REQUEST

The student requesting to be confirmed should print this form, fill it out neatly in handwriting, and return it to the Faith Formation Office. If you have any questions, please contact the office at (920) 725-0660.

I. Birth and Contact Information

Today's Date:	
Baptismal First <i>AND</i> Middle Names:	
Last Name:	
Date of Birth:	City/State of Birth:
Father's Name:	
Mother's Name (include maiden name):	
Address (Street, City, State, Zip):	
Parent Phone:	
Parent Email:	
Candidate's Phone:	
Candidate's Email:	
Current Grade Level (circle one):	Sophomore Junior Senior

II. Baptismal Information

Date of Baptism:
Parish of Baptism:
Location of this parish (City, State):

*If you were **not** baptized at St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish, then you (or your parents) will need to contact the parish where you were baptized and request that a certified copy of your baptismal certificate be sent to St. Gabriel Parish (c/o Fr. Brian, 900 Geiger St., Neenah, WI 54956).*

III. Confirmation Sponsor Information

A Confirmation Sponsor is an active member of the Catholic community, and is a living witness to the lifelong commitment to Catholic living that the student is intending to make to Christ and his Church. The sponsor presents the student (at this point, called a candidate or a confirmand) to the Bishop and stands with the student when he or she is being anointed by the Holy Spirit.

In choosing a sponsor, the candidate for the reception of Confirmation should select a person with the characteristics listed below. These characteristics come from the Canon Law of the Catholic Church and the guidelines for the Green Bay Diocese.

GUIDELINES:

1. The sponsor may be a man or a woman, but not a parent.
2. The sponsor **must** be confirmed, **must** practice his or her faith by regular participation in Sunday Mass and Eucharist, and **must** lead a life in harmony with the Catholic faith.
3. The sponsor will willingly **participate in the Confirmand's process of sacramental preparation**, by being both a guide in the faith and an example whom the Confirmand can look to. The sponsor exemplifies in faith and action a lifelong journey toward a closer relationship with the Lord, participates in the communal prayers and gatherings of the Church, and will encourage the young candidate to delve more deeply into Catholic living during the preparation period **and after the Sacrament of Confirmation is received**.

Sponsor's Name:
Sponsor's Mailing Address:
Sponsor's Phone:
Sponsor's Email:
Sponsor's Current Parish (Name & City):

Please tell us why you have chosen this person to be your sponsor. How is he or she an example of Catholic living for you? How do you hope this sponsor will assist you in preparation for Confirmation?
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IV. Confirmation Name Information

At Confirmation you will be **called by name** as you receive the gift of the Holy Spirit and complete your Christian initiation. You are encouraged to choose a new confirmation name; however, you may decide to use your baptismal name. In either case, the name you use at Confirmation should be important to you. Your confirmation name is reflective of your new life in Christ as an **adult, engaged** member of his Church. It should have special meaning and should express something about who you hope to become as an adult Catholic.

When choosing a Confirmation name, please avoid names which you like simply because of the way they sound. Instead, choose a name connected with, perhaps, a person or saint whom you respect and for whom you would like to have as an inspiration for your ongoing life of faith. Your Confirmation name should challenge you to grow as you enter into this next adult stage of practicing your faith.

Some possible sources to help with choosing a Confirmation name include:

catholic.org/saints

catholicsaints.info

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/General_Roman_Calendar

catholicsaints.info/roman-martyrology

My Chosen Confirmation Name:

Include a short reflection explaining the origin of the name you have chosen and why you have chosen that name.