

ST. GERTRUDE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

SAINT'S NAME (CONFIRMATION NAME)

1. Name of the Student _____

2. Name of the Saint _____

3. Where and when was the Saint born?

4. Date of canonization (when did he/she became a Saint)?

5. How the spiritual or corporal works of mercy are reflected on his/her life?

6. What part of his/her ordinary life you identify with?

7. What part of his/her extraordinary life you want to emulate?

8. Using your own words, how would you describe this saint?

How to choose your Saint's name (confirmation name)

The first thing to understand is *why* you are being asked to choose a saint.

As we go through our sacramental preparation for Confirmation, Confirmation saints are chosen to be a person we want to be like.

Through the process of canonization, when someone is declared by the Church to be a saint, the Church is proclaiming that this member of the faithful practiced heroic virtue during his/her life on earth, ‘the Church recognizes the power of the Spirit of holiness within her and sustains the hope of believers by proposing the saints to them as models and intercessors’ (CCC 828).

To aspire to be like a saint is the same as trying to imitate an actor, musician, or athlete; a confirmation saint is someone cool who we want to be like! You may have a famous actor, musician, or athlete that you really admire for his/her talents and skills. What many people don’t realize is that there are good people to look up to within our Catholic Church for us to try to be like as well. In choosing a confirmation saint, we are choosing a special saint-friend to whom we can model our lives while here on earth.

On your confirmation day you will be called by your saint’s name also known as Confirmation name. Please, pick a saint to emulate for his/her holiness. Once you have chosen a Saint (Male or Female Saint), complete the questions from the back of this page.