Letter Requesting Permission to be Confirmed

Due March 5th; email to Lettertopastor@stjudes.org

Everyone who desires to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is asked to write a letter to Fr. Ray Flores requesting permission. He will grant you permission and allow you to receive the Sacrament as long as you convey that you believe in our faith, understand what Confirmation is, and desire to continue growing in and living out your faith.

Please type your letter and have it proof-read to ensure you have complete sentences and correct grammar and spelling. **It must be at least 3 paragraphs in length.**

Here is an outline to ensure you include all the necessary components:

- Address it: Dear Fr. Ray Flores,
- Paragraph 1: Introduce yourself and share with Fr. Ray where you grew up, a little bit about your family, a little bit about yourself and what you like to do. You could include one of your earliest and fond memories of your faith.
- Paragraph 2: Explain what faith means to you. Include how you see God, how often you pray, and in what ways you are growing in your faith. It would be nice of you to use a specific example of one way you are living out your faith (for instance, with service, with your friends, or as a role model).
- Paragraph 3: Explain what the Sacrament of Confirmation means to you. Include your reasons for wanting to receive the Sacrament. Explain how you will continue to grow in knowledge of your faith after Confirmation and give examples of how you will continue to live out your faith after Confirmation.

This is what it means to be Catholic!

Closing: Sincerely, [add your first and last name]

Email your Word or PDF document to Lettertopastor@stjudes.org.

Paragraph 3 is going to take some thought! You'll want to discuss these questions with your parents and sponsor and God. You can't just throw this together in one sitting. Write out your thoughts, discuss it, and pray about it.

At your baptism, your parents made the commitment to teach you our faith. Now is the time for YOU to make a commitment to God to continue growing in knowledge of faith and friendship with God. This letter should convey your commitment to God, our faith traditions, and the St. Jude community.