

Most Rev. Bruce A. Lewandowski, C.Ss.R.

Bishop of Providence

Dear Confirmation Candidate,

It is truly wonderful that you wish to be confirmed. I look forward to conferring the sacrament of Confirmation upon you, so that you will be filled with the spiritual gifts you need to be a faithful follower of Jesus.

Please write a letter describing what you are thinking about as you prepare for the sacrament. The letter need not be long – a few paragraphs will be sufficient – but give it some thought. Here are some questions to help guide you:

- What is your family like and what are your main interests and activities?
- Of the different things you have done to prepare for Confirmation (classes, retreats, service projects, talks with your sponsor, prayer, etc.), what has made the greatest impact upon you?
- What gift of the Holy Spirit do you most look forward to receiving and why?
- What are some practical ways you can be a faithful follower of Jesus after you are confirmed and how will you be a witness to Jesus in word and deed, especially among your peers?
- As you think about your future, do you ever talk to God about it? Have you ever considered serving God and the Church as a priest, deacon or religious sister or brother?

Please give your letter to your Confirmation teacher who will forward it to me. Please pray for your sponsor and your family and know that I am praying for you.

May God who has begun this good work in you bring it to fulfillment!

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Bruce Lewandowski, C.Ss.R.

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