Letter to Pastor Confirmation Candidates

Letters to the Pastor MUST BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN OUR LAST CLASS

They may also be emailed to confirmation@sjbrh.org or put in an envelope labeled "Confirmation Letter" & dropped off at the Faith Formation Office at St. James.

Before the celebration of Confirmation, Canon Law requires the pastor to know that candidates have been properly prepared. He should also know that you have a desire for and knowledge of the sacrament. To help Father Shawn meet his responsibility, we are asking you to write a letter to him. The letter is to address some basic questions:

- 1. What does receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation mean to you? Once you are confirmed, name specific ways that you will continue to grow in your faith.
- 2. Describe your present prayer life. How has your prayer life changed or been strengthened through your Confirmation preparation?
- 3. What particular gifts of the Holy Spirit are alive in you? Which ones do you need to develop to become stronger? (Wisdom, Reverence, Understanding, Knowledge, Courage, Right Judgement, Wonder & Awe)
- 4. Describe a time in your life when you have felt the presence, peace, and strength of the Holy Spirit?
- 5. What do you see as your future role in the Catholic Church? How can the Church make you feel more welcome?

All letters are to be addressed to Father Shawn Daly and typed and signed. Be sure your full name is clearly indicated on the letter.

This letter is required in order to be confirmed and must be turned in prior to receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.