



Archdiocese of Vancouver
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Guidelines for Parents Writing a Letter to Archbishop Michael Requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation for their Child

Dear Parents (or Guardians):

The celebration of Confirmation is a key teachable moment in the life of your child. As his/her primary catechists and spiritual shepherds, you play a vital role in their Sacramental preparation. I invite you to write a brief letter to me about how your child, together with your whole family, has been preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Among the questions you should answer:

- Why are you asking for your child be confirmed this year?
- What did you do to help him/her prepare for receiving the Sacrament?
- How do you pray together as a family?
- After Confirmation, how will you continue to assist your child in his/her faith journey?

The letter is intended to provide you with an opportunity to reflect on this important occasion in the spiritual life of your family. It should be about a page in length.

Please give your letter to your child to hand in to their School or PREP teacher at least two weeks before the Confirmation date.

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