

## LETTER TO THE PASTOR

The pastor is required by Canon Law to know that the candidates have been properly prepared and have attended Mass regularly. He should also know that you *want* to receive the sacrament of Confirmation and where you see yourself in your faith in the next 5, 10, 15 or 20 years. Will you still be a practicing Catholic when you can *choose the faith yourself*?

In order to share this information with your pastor you will *type a letter* to him containing two or three paragraphs answering the following questions. Be careful of sentence structure, spelling, grammar and punctuation. Some misspellings that we see are that God is spelled with a lower case "G"~ that is incorrect; and Confirmation is often misspelled. *What about your family? Does your family practice their faith?*

- *Do you want to be confirmed? Why?*
- *Do you feel that you are ready to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? Why or why not?*
- *What Saint's Name did you choose? Why?*
- *Who did you choose to be your sponsor? Why?*
- *How will the Gifts of the Holy Spirit help you to live a good, moral adult life?*
- *Where will you be 5, 10, 15, 20 years from now? Will you still be a practicing Roman Catholic?*
- *What service projects have you completed? How have they helped you to grow in your faith?*

Please begin with the following format:

Date:

Salutation: Dear Father Barry,

Body of the letter;

Sign it.