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Dear Confirmation Candidate **2018**

As you continue to prepare for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation there is one more task that you need to complete:

- Please write a letter to Bishop Dennis J. Sullivan asking for permission to be admitted as a candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation from Notre Dame de la Mer Parish. Please follow the directions below when writing the letter and include answers to all the questions provided that should be part of this letter.
- **Paragraph one**
  - A. start by stating your name
  - B. parish and city of parish that you are a member of
  - C. state that you are currently preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation
- **Paragraph two**
  - A. request the privilege of receiving the sacrament of Confirmation
  - B. give at least two reasons why you would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation
- **Paragraph three**
  - A. tell about the service that you have completed in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation
  - B. Explain what you gained by completing this service
- **Paragraph four**
  - A. State the name that you have chosen for Confirmation
  - B. State the reason that you choose this name and saint as a model to follow
  - C. State a few facts about the saint that you would like to live in your own life.
- **Paragraph five**
  - A. Use the paragraph on the next page for this paragraph and complete it with your own ending.

I should receive a copy of your letter to the Bishop by the February 3, 2018 class date. The letter needs to be typed and grammar should be checked as well as spelling. If there are too many errors in the letter you will be asked to redo the letter. If you need to have me print your letter please send it to: [amuryasz@notredamedelamer.org](mailto:amuryasz@notredamedelamer.org)

Any questions please call the office at the number above. Thank you,

Please follow one of the two samples below.

Most Reverend Dennis J. Sullivan

Bishop of Camden

631 Market Street

Camden, NJ 08105

Date

Dear Bishop Sullivan,

I, .....state your name and follow directions on page one. **Paragraph 1**

I request .....and follow the directions on page one. **Paragraph 2**

Part of my preparation..... Continue to follow directions on page one. **Paragraph 3**

I have chosen Saint ..... Continue to follow directions on page one. **Paragraph 4**

As a full member of the Church, I will continue to daily live out my faith by..... **(Describe how you plan to continue participating in the Church after Confirmation. How do you plan to live the Catholic way of life? Paragraph 5)**

Respectfully yours,

Signature or type your name using a signature type

(If you sign the letter type your name three lines below the signature)

SAMPLE LETTER TO BISHOP SULLIVAN

**DUE BY February 3, 2018**

A letter written to Bishop Sullivan is a requirement in order to be confirmed. Your letter must include the topics listed in the letterform below. Your letter should be in your own words and must be sincere. You may type your letter to insure legibility. The letters are to be in the parish office no later than February 1, 2017 but may arrive sooner. **Please type your letter if at all possible.** If you are unable to type the letter please print the letter so that it can be read. **Please remember all letters must be in the Parish office no later than February 3, 2018.**

Bishop Dennis Sullivan, D. D.  
Diocese of Camden  
631 Market Street  
Camden, NJ 08102

Bishop Sullivan,

I \_\_\_\_\_, from Notre Dame de la Mer Parish in Wildwood, NJ ask you, Bishop Sullivan, to confirm me as a member of the Roman Catholic Church on April 23<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

I would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation because: **(Don't just say – "It will bring me closer to God." Give some thought to your reason.)**

I have been preparing for this sacrament. As part of this preparation, I have ....

I have chosen \_\_\_\_\_ **(sponsor's name)** to witness my commitment. I have chosen him/her because: **(explain how this person is a role model for you and how this person has helped you prepare for Confirmation.)**

You will seal my commitment to Jesus and His church by anointing me with oil and by calling me by name. I have chosen \_\_\_\_\_ **(Confirmation/Baptism name)** as my confirmation name because: **(give reasons why you are choosing another name or why you are choosing your baptismal name; include why this saint is important to you.)**

I am taking Confirmation seriously and as a confirmed member of the church I am planning on staying involved or becoming more involved by.... **(Be specific; tell how you will become an active member of this parish. Please don't say, "I will attend church regularly". Attending Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation are required!)**

Respectfully Yours,

Sign your full name