

LETTER TO THE BISHOP

Each Confirmation Candidate is required to write a letter to the Bishop requesting of him to come and administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. Here are some ideas on where to start:

Your Name
Address
City, State Zip Code
Date

Office of the Bishop
Diocese of Sioux Falls
523 North Duluth Avenue
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Dear Bishop Donald DeGrood,

Write a letter to him expressing your desire for Confirmation. You may wish to include what you have done to prepare yourself to receive this Sacrament. Some items to think about are prayer, attendance at Sunday Mass, your study of the Church teachings or doctrines including the Sacrament of Confirmation, and your service work. Don't be afraid to be specific. If the Bishop were to ask you, "What have you done to prepare yourself to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? Why would you like to receive this gift?" what would you tell him?

Write from your heart. What do you desire to happen to your faith life? Express your love of Christ, the Eucharist, and desire to be a witness of faith. You may include a favorite scripture and relate to how it pertains to your life.

The letter should be no longer than one page and must be typed, using a legible font and classic margins. Remember, you are writing to our Bishop. Sign the letter respectively after printing. Be sure to use good grammar and your true feelings in what you are asking of him.

He does attentively read your letters. Father John has been quizzed by the Bishop, asking him who has said certain things in their letter. So, make it count!

Sincerely, (you may use another appropriate closing)

Your Name (sign with a pen above)