



Catholic Church of
st. **IGNATIUS**
Singapore

ADULT CONFIRMATION CHURCH OF ST. IGNATIUS, SINGAPORE 268172

1. Please complete the following information. This information will be transferred to your Confirmation card and presented to the Bishop on Confirmation Day. Please PRINT LEGIBLY using black or blue ink.
2. Please attach a copy of your baptism Certificate.
3. There will be 3 preparatory sessions and a compulsory rehearsal before Confirmation Day. Thank you.

CONFIRMATION CARD

Full Name : _____

Address : _____

Email: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Date of Baptism: _____

Church of Baptism: _____

Full Postal Address of Church of Baptism: _____

Confirmation Name: _____

(proper Saint's name, gender corresponding to candidate's)

Name to be printed on certificate: _____

(Include the Confirmation name)

Confirmation Sponsor: _____

Date of submission: _____

GUIDELINES

SECTION 1 - Notes regarding the Confirmation Name

- The Church offers candidates the selection of **one of two options**. In selecting a Confirmation name either a special Confirmation name or the use of one's baptismal name.
- There is preference for taking the baptismal name for Confirmation, showing the unity between Baptism and Confirmation. If this is chosen, the Bishop **will only say one name at the ceremony**. Indicate the name (baptismal first or middle name) the candidate would like said at the ceremony on the line for "Confirmation Name."
- In the case of taking a **new** confirmation name, a Christian name is traditionally selected; this means the name of a Saint, a holy person, a faith-filled person or the name of someone the candidate holds in high esteem may be selected. This person should be of great importance and example to the candidate (in other words - a "living Saint" in the eyes of the candidate).
- Names of soap opera characters or choosing a name simply because one likes it, will NOT be permitted.
- When choosing a name, only **one** name is to be chosen. Example: Choosing "Mary" is appropriate, choosing "Mary Elizabeth" is not.
- All candidates should be able to **explain the reasons** for choosing their Baptismal name or selecting a new Confirmation name.

SECTION 2 - Notes regarding the Sponsor

- Each candidate should have their own individual sponsor (either gender)
- The candidate **may** choose one of their **godparents**. This again shows the ties between Baptism and Confirmation.
- The sponsor should be someone **sufficiently mature in his or her faith commitment** the candidate sees as a **positive faith-filled role model** in his/her life.
- Since it is assumed that parents are already role models of faith for their children, it is recommended that the parent of the candidate **does not** serve as the sponsor. This enables the candidate to get the reinforcement of the importance of faith and guidance from yet another source.
- While it is allowed that a spouse or fiancé be a sponsor, it is **not** suggested or recommended. The reason it is not suggested is that the nature of the relationship between the sponsor and the candidate is that of a role model and an initiator into the community, not a relationship of equals, as it is between spouses.
- Sponsor must be 18 years and above.
- Sponsor must have received Confirmation and a good practicing Catholic.

A Sponsor is

- **A Representative of the Catholic Community:** The sponsor is the personal representative of the entire Church Community to the individual candidate.
- **A Companion:** A sponsor should serve as a companion or a guide for the candidate along the journey. The sponsor should be someone who can give you the support when there is hesitation, understanding in times of doubt and comfort when there is inner conflict. This person should also challenge you when your enthusiasm or interest is at a low point. This companion should be someone you can trust, turn to and talk things over with.
- **A Mentor:** A sponsor should be someone who is open to growth in one's faith and putting into practice what that faith requires. This person should be a faith example who you look up to and would like to emulate.
- **A person** with the intention of performing their role; assume an ***ongoing spiritual relationship with the candidate*** and not merely a function as a passive witness to the Sacrament.