

What qualities or virtues do you see in the way this person lived that you would like to imitate or emulate in your own life?

Though it is not required by the rite of Confirmation, it is a common practice and the preference of our Archbishop that you would choose the name of a patron saint to be used during the Confirmation ceremony. If a saint's name was used at your Baptism and if the saint lived a life that serves as a good role model for you, it is certainly advisable to use your baptismal name for Confirmation.

You may, however, choose another patron saint and use this saint's name when being confirmed. This name, freely chosen and reflecting your devotion to a saint, can be a sign of commitment to living as a Christian in today's world under the patronage of someone you admire.

With that in mind, you are encouraged to think carefully about the name you will use at your Confirmation. You are invited to visit the following website or use other resources you may have available to you to examine the lives of saints and to choose one whose life inspires you.

www.catholic.org and visit "Browse Saints"