St. Anne Catholic Church Bishop Letter Guidelines 2020/2021

As a reminder, your letter to the bishop functions as your formal request to receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Your letter should:

- □ Address why you want to receive Confirmation
- Provide examples of your experience with preparation (i.e. prayer, retreat, service, class time)
- □ Include your saint name and an explanation as to why you chose that name
- □ Conclude with a "thank you" to the bishop

All three drafts of your letter should include the above information and should follow the guidelines below:

<u>Heading</u>

Please date the first draft of your letter January 3, 2021. Your heading should appear as follows:

January 3, 2021

Your first and last name Your street address City, State, zip code

Bishop Jeffrey Haines 3501 S. Lake Dr. P.O. Box 070912 Milwaukee, WI 53207

The *second draft* of your letter should be dated <u>February 7, 2021</u>.

The *third draft* of your letter should be dated <u>March 7, 2021</u>.

<u>Formatting</u>

- Please use size 12 Times New Roman font. If your computer does not host the Times New Roman font, please select a similar font such as Cambria.
- Your letter should be double-spaced. Please do not quadruple space between paragraphs.
- Paragraph should not be indented (i.e. tabbed to the right)

Capitalization

The following words should be capitalized:

- Church (when referring the universal Catholic Church and not a physical building (i.e. our parish)
- Confirmation
- Mass

*The word "sacrament" does not need to be capitalized.

<u>Signature</u>

- On your third and final draft, please include your signature before your typed full name
- Example:

Sincerely,

(Signature)

John Smith

Additional Submission Notes:

Please review the individual feedback I share with you for each of your drafts and revise your next draft accordingly.

Please thoroughly proofread your drafts before submitting.

Each draft of your letter should be submitted to me via email as a Word or Google Doc. Your drafts should be sent to <u>mmowry@saint-anne.org</u>. Please DO NOT insert your letter into the body of an email or send a screenshot/photo of your letter.