

HORIZONS DIALOGUE # 1

QUESTIONNAIRE

(Date _____)

Opening Prayer

Lord God, send your Holy Spirit to me now as I begin this part of the process of preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. May that same Holy Spirit enlighten me as I fill out the information in this interview form. Help me speak the truth that is in my heart so that, in cooperation with your grace, I may begin this journey in a faithful productive manner. Bless and be present to the people of our parish who receive this information; that they may take it into account as they minister to the building up of your Body the Confirmation preparation process. I offer this prayer to you with love and in the name of Jesus, your Son and my brother. Amen.

Be as accurate and honest as you can be. The only people who will have access to this information are our pastor, your interviewer and you. Please print.

Name _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____ Age ____ Grade ____

Family Information

Father's Name: _____

Mother's Name: first _____ maiden _____

Brothers and Sisters:

Name _____ (brother / sister) age _____

Name _____ (brother / sister) age _____

Name _____ (brother / sister) age _____

Name _____ (brother / sister) age _____

Where were you baptized? Parish _____

Town _____ State _____ Date of your Baptism _____

Godmother's Name: _____

Godfather's Name: _____

How often do you see your godparents in a year? _____

Have you received the Sacrament of First Eucharist? __ yes __ no If yes, where did you receive it?

Parish _____ Town _____ State _____

Have you received the Sacrament of Reconciliation? __ yes __ no If yes, where did you receive it?

Parish _____ Town _____ State _____

How long have you and your family been members of St. Matthew the Apostle Parish? _____

Have you attended the religious education program during your grade school and middle school years here at St. Matthew's? yes no In another parish? yes no
If yes, please name the parish _____ and town _____

Have you been faithful in your attendance at these programs? yes no
Please explain your answer _____

Have you ever attended Catholic school? yes no If yes, please name the school
_____ town, state _____ and grades attended _____

Briefly describe what you hope to accomplish in your high school years.

Briefly describe your hopes and dreams for your future (after finishing high school).

Please indicate the types of commitments you have made for this year:

High school activities	Other commitments
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports	<input type="checkbox"/> Job
<input type="checkbox"/> Clubs	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer work
<input type="checkbox"/> Band	Describe: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Describe: _____

Do you foresee that any of these commitments may create a problem in regard to your attendance and participation in religious education classes and your preparation for Confirmation? Explain.

Do you have any particular gifts or talents that you feel might add to the journey we are about to begin? (e.g., play an instrument, photography, art, administrative work, peer ministry, etc.)

Is there anything else about you that we should know?

PART II Being confirmed in the Church is a big step into your adult faith. We'd like you to reflect for a few minutes as you begin your journey toward receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Please answer the following questions.

Why are you entering the Confirmation preparation process?

What are some things you hope will or will not happen to you during the preparation process for the sacrament of Confirmation?

What effect do you feel receiving the sacrament of Confirmation will have on your faith and your life?

Do you have any specific questions about the process of Confirmation?

As you walk in your faith, how do you plan to provide service to others less fortunate than you?

Who have you asked/will you ask to be your sponsor to walk on this journey with you? Why did you choose this person? _____

How would you describe an active Catholic?

Who would you consider to be a role model of an active Catholic? Why?

How important is being an active Catholic in your life right now? _____

Is there some aspect of your life that makes it difficult for you to be an active Catholic? If so, what can be done about it? _____

Do you feel there is a specific area of your spiritual growth that has not yet been adequately met?

What has been your view of the role that St Matthew's has played in your life so far?

What role do you think St Matthew's will play in your future? _____

What would you most like to ask of God right now? _____

How would you describe your relationship with Jesus at this time in your life?

What would you consider to have been the most important moment in your life up to this point?

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. Please bring it with you and turn it in to the person with whom you will dialogue.