

## LETTER TO THE BISHOP

Dear Confirmation Candidate,

Bishop Wenski, the Bishop of the Diocese of Orlando, requests that you write a letter to him asking to be confirmed. And so, if you want to be confirmed, please have that letter in the Religious Education Office by **November 18, 2009** so we can send them all at once. A sample letter in on the back.

- The official heading of the letter should read:

The Most Reverend Thomas G. Wenski  
Bishop of the Diocese of Orlando  
P.O. Box 1800  
Orlando FL 32802-1800

- The salutation should read:

Dear Bishop Wenski:

- The closing should read:

Respectfully yours,

In the letter you need to say who you are (your name), and what parish you are from (St. Joseph's, Palm Bay - there are three other St. Joseph's in our Diocese!), and ask him to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation upon you. You can also give reasons why you feel you are ready to receive this sacrament, or talk about your faith and the love you have for the Church, or why this sacrament is important to you. Remember this is your letter; write it in your own words. A letter from the heart will be very much appreciated, even more than one filled with head knowledge. It does not have to be long. Keep it simple, but honest. Sign it with your full name, put it in an envelope and seal the envelope. Put your first and last name on the outside of the envelope. You can give it to your teacher, take it to the Religious Education Office or the Parish Office. Remember, before **November 18, 2009**.

I know that you have worked and studied hard for this. God bless you. Now starts the beginning of your faith journey. Our prayers are with you.

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## Sample Letter

Today's Date

Most Reverend Thomas G. Wenski  
Bishop of the Diocese of Orlando  
P.O. Box 1800  
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Dear Bishop Wenski,

(Body of letter - your words. Your parents can help you with this)

Respectfully yours,  
Your full name  
Your address  
City, State, Zip