



# Memorandum

**To: Pastors, Directors/Coordinators, Principals**  
(share with Confirmation catechists)  
**From: Michelle Kroll, Director of Catholic Education**  
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**Date: August 2017**  
**Subject: Confirmation 2017-2018**

Please read carefully:

Bishop Hartmayer is requesting that candidates being prepared for Confirmation write a brief letter to him requesting the sacrament of Confirmation. Make certain that the candidates have their name, parish, school, grade and age on the top of the page in the right hand corner. It is also very important that the letters reach the Pastoral Center at least 1 – 2 weeks prior to the Confirmation date. With the Bishop's busy schedule, he is not at the Pastoral Center for several days at a stretch. He will not be using them for his homily.

Please let the candidates know that the Bishop will be asking them questions about their Confirmation name (one of their baptismal names.) If their name does not contain a saint's name, then they must choose one, preferably a saint from the 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> century. He may also ask about basic tenets of the Church. Students should know the information found in the *Knowledge of Faith Assessment (Evaluación de Conocimientos de la Fe)* found on the website: <https://diosav.org/catchild>. The answer key password for you and your Confirmation catechist only is [REDACTED] (case sensitive).

You may also find the updated directives for the celebration of Confirmation for the Diocese of Savannah (English and Spanish). Please read them over carefully and share them with your Confirmation catechists and those in charge of Liturgy in your parish.

If you will be celebrating Confirmation on a weekday (Sunday-Thursday), the liturgical celebration *must begin at or before 6:00 pm*. Bishop Hartmayer is enacting this directive in the interest of accommodating the time and schedules for all groups.

Note that one of the directives asks for nametags to be used at the Confirmation. Please make sure the Confirmation name is in bold. (See page 3). The Confirmation cards sold by companies like Tonini are still valuable for recording purposes. (See page 4). **Please make sure the record of Confirmation is sent to the Church of Baptism.**

If you have further questions, please contact the Office of Catechesis for Children at (912) 201-4044.

