Confirmation Names

Parishes have retained the custom wherein a young person preparing for Confirmation selects a "Confirmation Name." This pious practice, although never a part of the official rite, may be retained. Points of consideration in choosing a Confirmation name are as follows:

+ each of those to be confirmed may choose an appropriate Confirmation Name.

+ only one name is to be chosen.

+ this name should not be foreign to Christian sensibilities.

+ because this is a significant sacramental celebration, names that are very unusual or contrary to Catholic tradition should be discouraged.

+ names should be of like gender to the confirmed.

+ the names should be submitted to the Confirmation Coordinator for approval.

+ the Confirmation Name should be presented in its proper form, rather than in the diminutive (e.g. John, instead of Jack; Susan, instead of Sue).

+ the name received at Baptism maybe be used again for Confirmation.