



Confirmation Shield



For centuries shields have been decorated with the bearer's coat-of-arms so that the bearer could be recognized even at a distance. Every king, knight, bishop and pope had his identifying symbols and motto.

This year each Confirmation candidate will design his or her own shield onto a piece of 9" x 12" poster board. The outer shape of the board should be rectangular with the shield attached. The outer shape of the shield may be original, but the coat of arms must include:

1. **Four quadrants with a symbol in each -**

- First quadrant: symbol of candidate's character
- Second quadrant: symbol of candidate's family (family spirit)
- Third quadrant: symbol of the-saint chosen for Confirmation
- Fourth quadrant: symbol of our parish (parish spirit)

2. Confirmation name should be placed above the four quadrants

3. A chosen motto or proverb that inspires candidate to live a Christian life should be placed below quadrants

Once the coat-of-arms is completed, the candidate will be given a date to present his/her shield to his/her class This presentation should explain -

- the choice of the Confirmation name
- the symbolism the four quadrants
- the motto or proverb.

**** SHIELDS ARE DUE APRIL 13, 2025 ****

