



# ALL SAINTS

FAITH FORMATION +  
CONFIRMATION PREP

## ***Hello Candidates and Families!***

The Presentation of our Saints will be on ***October 31, 2021, from 9-11AM in the Gym***. Below are some more specific details on how to prepare for that, in four parts:

### **Part 1: Choose a Saint**

You may not have totally settled on your personal Confirmation Saint yet, but I encourage you to either do so, or choose a Saint that is appealing to you and whom you might choose. If you've already settled on a Confirmation Saint, then this step is done!

### **Part 2: Research & Saint Profile**

Do some research about your Saint. Use the resources on the [Confirmation Homepage](http://www.allsaintsdallas.org/confirmation) ([www.allsaintsdallas.org/confirmation](http://www.allsaintsdallas.org/confirmation)). to begin your research. Ask your Saint to pray for you, and get to know him/her as well as you can! Then, there is a brief sheet with some basic questions about your Saint. Please fill this sheet out and bring it with you to the Presentation on October 31. The sheet can be downloaded on the [Confirmation Homepage](http://www.allsaintsdallas.org/confirmation).\* (***ASCS Students - follow Mr. Gresik's directions instead of this step!***)\*

### **Part 3: Prepare Your Presentation**

On October 31, people of different ages will be coming through the Gym to learn about your Saint. Every Candidate will have a spot on a table and the space in front of that table to house their presentation. Here's what it should look like:

- Dress up as Your Saint (at least a little bit!) Find out what era they were from, if they were a Monk / Nun / Priest / Bishop, etc., and start from there!
- Have some physical thing with information about your Saint (a tri-fold science-fair-style board; a poster; a diorama, etc.)

- Be prepared to talk about your Saint for at least 30 seconds. The question people will ask you will generally be, "Who is your Saint? What should I know about them?", as well as "Why did you choose this Saint?"

## **Part 4: Presentation Day!**

On October 31, please arrive at the Church Gym, sign-in, and get your station set up and ready to share!

- Please arrive by 8:45 to allow time for signing-in and setting-up
- Please plan to be here until 11AM to share your Saint with
  - The Elementary Religious Education Students
  - Parishioners between the 9AM and 11AM Masses
  - Each Other
  - Me

## **FAQs:**

- ***What if I can't be there on October 31 because I'll be out of town?***
  1. Send me an Email ([adarling@allsaintsdallas.org](mailto:adarling@allsaintsdallas.org)) ASAP to let me know! Thanks to those who have already done so.
  2. Please bring me your Saint Profile Sheet at some point before October 31, or scan it and send it to me that day.
  3. Please create your presentation, and then send me a video of you sharing it! Say your answers to the above questions and show me the details of your costume and object. The video will probably be too large to email, so submit your video by uploading it **here**  
**([https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1TUiUS\\_eQTGeu8X4hnPiv2eUnkUWRBHM?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1TUiUS_eQTGeu8X4hnPiv2eUnkUWRBHM?usp=sharing)),** making sure to include your name in the title.
- ***What if I haven't settled on my Confirmation Saint Yet?***
  1. That's okay! You don't technically have to have that settled until November 14th.
  2. If you've narrowed it down to a short list of Saints, just choose one for the project! You can still choose a different Saint for Confirmation.
  3. If you have absolutely no idea who you're going to choose, start doing some research! Check out **all the resources about the Saints on the Confirmation Homepage!**

- ***When should I go to Mass on that day?***
  1. Great question! Please make sure you go to Mass every Sunday!
  2. I will make an announcement at ~10:55 that those who want to go to the 11AM Mass should head that way. So 11AM Mass is still an option! In that case, please return after Mass to take your presentations home.
  3. We also have the 7:30AM Mass, as well as the 5PM Masses on both Saturday and Sunday.
- ***Will we have Sunday Afternoon Class that day?***
  1. No we will not! (Though Illuminate will still be happening for our High Schoolers!)
- ***Why are we doing this on Halloween?***
  1. This presentation of Saints has traditionally been done on the Sunday before All Saints Day (November 1). This year, Nov. 1 is a Monday, so Oct. 31 it is!
  2. Halloween has its origins in the Catholic Feast of All Saints- "Halloween" is a rearrangement of the older English "All Hallows' Eve", meaning "All Saints Day Eve" (like Christmas 'Eve')
  3. So, this will be a perfect way for us and the whole parish to celebrate the Feast of All Saints; which is also our Parish Feast Day!

Please let me know if you have any questions, comments, concerns, or ideas at any point. You are all in my prayers!

God Bless,

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