SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH 13720 WEST THOMAS ROAD, AVONDALE, AZ 85392

## CONFIRMATION NAME FORM

TEEN NAME (FIRST, M, LAST)

HOME PHONE NUMBER

Every student to be confirmed is asked to choose a Confirmation name. Choosing a name signifies that the person being confirmed (a candidate or a catechumen in our RCIT Program) is becoming a new creation in Christ. The Confirmation name is a powerful symbol of the person being confirmed. At the Rite of Reception of candidates or at the Rite of Christian Initiation of catechumens, the celebrant will address the candidate or catechumen by that name to show that the student is important and that the gift of faith is being offered to him/her as an individual.

In the past it has been the tradition to take the name of a Saint or a holy person who will serve as a role model and intercessor for Confirmation. Since each person is created anew at his/ her Baptism, choosing the same name as one's Baptismal name is absolutely acceptable today. Doing so also emphasizes more clearly the unity which exists between the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. However, choosing the name of a favorite biblical person, beatified individual, or canonized Saint whose Christian lifestyle the candidate or catechumen would like to imitate is perfectly acceptable. Students should choose a name that will remind and inspire them to treat others as Christ would.

Picking a name that holds a personal significance for the student will help the Confirmation experience be more meaningful for him/her. For resources on the saints, www.catholic.org/saints is a good place to start or ask your catechist or CORE Members at EDGE or Life Teen for help!

Please fill out the form below and return to the youth minister. The Confirmation name chosen is a matter of parish record but does not change the candidates' legal name.

	CONFIRMATION SAINT NAME	
STUDENT NAME - FIRST / MIDDLE / LAST		GRADE
DATE OF BIRTH	CONFIRMATION NAME	
One thing that stands out to you	a about this Saint's life:	
Why you've chosen this Saint for	your Confirmation Name:	