Template for Letter to the Bishop

Instructions: The following questions should be addressed in the letter to Bishop Persico requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation. As you respond to each question, please use the question number to identify your response. (This means it won't look like a "normal" letter, because each of your answers to these questions should be preceded by a number.) Begin each answer by briefly restating the question.

Dear Bishop Persico,

- 1. Why do you feel you are ready to celebrate this sacrament?
- 2. Please list the service projects in which you were involved.
- 3. Please write a few words on how you felt about giving during your service projects. How will these experiences encourage you to further service in the future?
- 4. What saint's name have you chosen?
- 5. What characteristics of the saint or the person whose name you are taking would you hope to model in your life?
- 6. What was the theme of your Confirmation retreat? Please write a few words on what was the most meaningful part of the retreat for you.
- 7. Tell why you picked your sponsor. What in your sponsor's life tells you what it means to be a follower of Christ?
- 8. [God calls each of us to be disciples in a particular way of life. This call is lived out through a variety of vocations such as marriage, the single life, the life of a deacon or priest or that of a religious sister or brother.]
 - Have you prayed to God asking that he reveal your vocation to you?
- 9. Have you ever thought God might be calling you to follow him as a priest or deacon, religious sister or brother?

Sincerely,

John Confirmandi