



St. John the Evangelist Parish  
**Confirmation Preparation**  
**40 QUESTIONS FOR CANDIDATES**  
(and Sponsors)



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SPONSOR NAME and signature

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**Simply answer these 40 questions.**

Take your time. Do one a day or a few each week.

You need to have them completed prior to your Confirmation Interview. You may work with your sponsors, parents or ask anyone you know! You may do research with sources (yes, this is OPEN BOOK!)— use this to journal some of your own thoughts and ideas!

**NOTE: THE SHORTER YOUR WRITTEN ANSWERS  
TO THESE 40 QUESTIONS,  
THE LONGER YOUR INTERVIEW!!! :-)**

## **FORTY CONFIRMATION QUESTIONS For Candidates and Sponsors**

1. What will be your Confirmation Name (a Catholic Saint, Venerable, Virtue, or Role Model)? Tell us about your Saint's life and how do you relate to him / her?
2. Ask your parents and/or Godparents about the day you were baptized. What is ONE thing that stands out in their memories?
3. What are the SEVEN GIFTS of the Spirit? Write a couple sentences about the ONE gift that is most interesting to you.
4. Talk to your parents and grandparents. Who are the Pastors and Priests they most remember? Name at least half a dozen.
5. Why do YOU want to celebrate Confirmation?
6. What previous sacrament are we "confirming"?

7. Jesus asked Peter and the others "Who do you say that I am?" Jesus is looking YOU in the eye. He asks YOU: "Who do YOU say that I am?" What is your answer?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. Have you ever REALLY FELT God's presence? Explain it.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
9. What is your very first memory of going to Mass?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
10. A friend of yours is NOT Christian and asks you about Jesus and the cross. How do you explain how Jesus "takes away the sin of the world"?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
11. List the Seven Sacraments:
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
12. List the Ten Commandments (yes, in order). Try it once from memory... then go back and rewrite it if you need to look it up.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
13. We have lots of VIRTUES (good, holy habits) in our lives, but what are the THREE THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES (that means they are supernatural, they come from God):

14. Who is our Pastor at St. John the Evangelist?
15. Who are our Deacons?
16. What do you plan to do as an ADULT member of the Church?! Service? Help at Mass? Knights? Youth Ministry?
17. What is something you really would like to change about our parish? If you were in charge, what would you do?
18. Jesus was asked "What is the GREATEST COMMANDMENT?"  
What was his answer?
19. Who was the First Pope?
20. Who is the current Pope?
21. What do Catholics believe about the Eucharist?
22. According to the sign in front of the Church, when was St. John Parish started?
23. What is your favorite song or hymn we sing at Mass?
24. What happens on the altar table during a Catholic Mass?

25. Who is the Bishop of the Lansing Diocese? (He will CONFIRM you!)
26. Place these Patriarchs (early fathers) of Israel in order of when they lived:  
Jacob / David / Moses / Abraham / Isaac
27. Name two of the great prophets of Israel.
28. What does MESSIAH mean?
29. What does the name JESUS mean?
30. List the 12 Apostles.
31. What does it mean that God created humanity in His IMAGE? How are we like God?
32. Is Jesus God?
33. Is Jesus alive today (and PLEASE write more than “he’s in my heart...” or “He is with us all...”) ? How do you KNOW?
34. Where do we find Jesus today (PLEASE write more than “in other people” or “in butterflies and rainbows”), BE SPECIFIC?
35. Do you like doing these 40 questions?
36. If you had \$1 Million that HAD to be spent serving people in need—what would you do? And... *WHY DON'T YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT ISSUE NOW?!*

37. Who is someone you know who REALLY TRIES to live a Catholic Christian lifestyle? Why are they different from others?

38. Do you really believe in God? WHY?

39. What should HAPPEN TO YOU when you celebrate Confirmation?

40. Do you EXPECT anything in your life to change after celebrating Confirmation?



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## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH SERVICE JOURNAL

CANDIDATE NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

Date:	# of Hours:	Service that you performed:	
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	Local Community	Wider than the	local community
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## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH FAITH EXPERIENCES

CANDIDATE NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle: Traditional Church Event Youth Group Meeting  
Special Youth Event Other:

Briefly Describe:

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## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH "FOLLOW ME" VIDEO LOG

CANDIDATE NAME : \_\_\_\_\_



SESSION	VIEWED	DISCUSSED	QUESTIONS?
<b>Session 1: Why Are You Here?</b>			
<b>Session 2: Come and See</b>			
<b>Session 3: Real Friends</b>			
<b>Session 4: Follow Me</b>			
<b>Session 5: The Cost</b>			

**Note:** The video series can be found on **FORMED.org** and should be watched together, candidate and either a parent or sponsor.

To create an account to view, use the parish code (**0766a8**), then create your own unique user id and password. "Follow Me" is under the formation tab. You must view both videos for each session (most are about 5-6 minutes/ each). You do **NOT** need to turn in any paperwork for the videos other than this sheet.

Once you have a FORMED log-in, you are invited to watch, listen, read any of the offerings found there anytime!  
Enjoy!