

Confirmation Banner

A banner depicts or symbolizes certain special qualities of a person. In medieval times banners were used by the people to show special qualities of a family. Today, we use banners of many different shapes and sizes to promote many kinds of things such as school teams, sports teams landmarks, etc. In our Confirmation class we have chosen a special saint for our namesake and as an individual who we wish to follow.

As Confirmation candidates, you will be designing and making a small banner which will become part of the liturgical environment during our parish celebration of Confirmation. You will design the banner to include your chosen Confirmation name and symbols which depict a “special something” relating to our saint or to the sacrament of Confirmation (ie. Cross, fish, dove, etc.). This project will be a remembrance of your commitment to your faith.

Materials needed:

1. An 11 inches x 18 inches piece of fabric for banner background (heavy cotton material, duck cloth, or felt are good choices – DO NOT use burlap as it is too dark for our sanctuary). Choose a light blue, light green, yellow, red, white, etc. for this fabric.
2. Choose a contrasting color for the lettering and design on the banner.
3. A dowel rod of 13 inches in length.
4. Cording or heavy string – 28 inches in length.



Directions:

1. Plan your design on paper (brown grocery bag is good) which is cut to the appropriate size for banner.
 2. Cut out fabric for banner which would be 11” x 18”.
 3. Fold top of banner over 1 inch for the pocket for the dowel rod. Glue or sew edge to form the pocket.
 4. Trace lettering and design to be put on banner. Cut out and place on fabric. Glue or stitch in place.
 5. Attach cording or string securely around the ends of the dowel rod.
- A. Please feel free to use any of the attached ideas, pictures, or phrases that are helpful.
- B. Be sure your last name and room number is on the back of the banner using masking tape.
- C. The attached sheet of letters are patterns you may trace or you can make your own.