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Dear Confirmation Students,

When you were baptized, God and all the people who were present made promises to help you grow in faith. Confirmation is one way in which the church and your family are keeping this promise. The ceremony of Confirmation is called an Affirmation of Baptism - essentially, you are saying yes to those promises from God and taking ownership in how you live a life of faith into the future. We will pray for God's blessings for you and, the church will pledge to continue pray for and support you.

As one major step in making your faith your own, you will develop and complete a Confirmation project. This project should give significant insight into your faith and life up until now and your hope and intentions for the future.

Since your life (which includes your faith) is one-of-a-kind, your project will be one-of-a-kind as well. It could be an essay, writing a song, putting together a science project, creating a movie, a study of literature - the possibilities are endless. **The goal is to show who God has created you to be and how you see God involved in your life and the world. To that end, please include with your project a paragraph that explains clearly, "What does this project say about me? What does this project say about God?"**

Here are some questions you might consider:

- \* What does it mean to you to "live among God's faithful people" (one of the promises made in baptism and Confirmation)? How do you intend to do this (as part of a church community and in all other aspects of life)?
- \* Who has God created you to be? How have you been supported in becoming who you are? How do you see yourself continuing to grow? What resources will you seek? How are you and will you be a blessing for the world?
- \* How would you describe God to someone who has never considered God before? How would you explain your relationship with God? How would you describe the blessings and challenges of faith?

You should come to our next class (February 10th) with a written idea of what you'd like your project to be. Then, you will work on your project, and present it to me at our one-on-one meeting that will be held sometime in April. If it's possible, I would like the projects to be displayed on the day of Confirmation.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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