

## GETTING ACQUAINTED/CONTINUING YOUR RELATIONSHIP

The goal for this first session is to “break the ice” in establishing a working relationship between you and your partner. **Remember, your mentor relationship is an important aspect of this part of the Confirmation process.** So relax and be yourselves. These are suggestions for topics to cover. I realize that some of you know each other very well, however, others don't really know each other. There is always something new to discover about another!

**Complete this session by Jun 15.**

Sponsor/Candidate Questions:

1. When you seek to know someone you ask them questions. Be a detective. Find out as much as you can about your partner. Use the space provided to record some information about your partner.
  - ◆ Tell about your family.
  - ◆ Talk about your friends. About your “best friend”. What about them do you like/appreciate? Why are they your friend?
  - ◆ Tell about your hobbies, the things you really love to do. Learn at least one thing NEW about your partner.
  - ◆ Tell about the things you really dislike. Learn something NEW about your partner.
  - ◆ What was it like growing up/or what is it like growing up?
  - ◆ What are some of your best memories?
  - ◆ How about one of your sad memories?
  - ◆ What is/was school like for you?
  - ◆ What did you/do you like best about school?
  - ◆ What did you/do you like least about school?
  - ◆ What is one thing you really like about your life today?
  - ◆ What are your hopes for the future?

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2. Find out about each other's faith experiences:

◆ **Share your Time Line that you began on May 4<sup>th</sup>**

Continue with these questions:

- ◆ Have you always been a churchgoer?
- ◆ What does it mean to be Catholic?
- ◆ What is important to you about being part of this (your) church community?
- ◆ What is a Christian? Do you ever wonder about whether you *really* are a Christian?
- ◆ What would you like to do or need to know for your relationship with Christ to grow?
- ◆ What do you think prayer is? What are ways in which you like to pray? Why?

3. Talk about your expectations for this confirmation process.

- ◆ What do you hope will happen during this time? Are you excited or nervous? Indifferent? Understand that this an important process? **Why?**
- ◆ What do you hope to experience? What would you like to learn?

4. Together choose a time when you will commit to pray for one another. By phone, "on-line chat", IM, at a certain time each day/week, or? etc...

**Close your time together with each of you saying a short prayer, asking God to be with you in this confirmation process and thanking God for your partner.**



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**Getting Acquainted One-to-One: Candidate/Sponsor (*candidate complete/return by 6/15/08*)**

Candidate \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

What was valuable about this experience? \_\_\_\_\_

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How have you decided to stay in contact with each other during this preparation time? \_\_\_\_\_

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