

FAQ – Registers (public)

1. General questions

1.1. How can I obtain a Confirmation certificate if I do not know in which parish I was confirmed?

A notation of the Confirmation was also written in the Baptism register. Therefore, you need to obtain a **Baptism** certificate, which will mention the Confirmation. If the Baptism register does not have a notation of the Confirmation, please contact the Chancery at 514-925-4300, ext. 245.

1.2. How can I obtain a Baptism certificate if I do not know in which parish I was baptized?

To find the parish of baptism, please contact the Chancery at 514-925-4300, ext. 245.

1.3. My parish no longer exists. Whom do I contact to obtain a certificate?

Please contact the Chancery at 514-925-4300, ext. 245, to know where registers were transferred, or refer to the [directory of the Archdiocese of Montreal](#).

1.4. How do I have the register corrected if information is erroneous or must be updated (e.g. change of name)?

Contact the parish that holds the register. It will ask you to bring official documents as evidence, such as a birth certificate issued by the Quebec Bureau of Vital Statistics. A copy of these documents will be joined to the request for correction that the parish will send to the Archdiocese. Note: It is not possible to change the gender on the register or a change of godfather/godmother.

1.5. Can I see, photograph or photocopy the register?

No, registers are not accessible to anyone. An extract or certificate can only be issued to the persons mentioned in the document. Parishes are forbidden to authorize photographing registers or to allow them to be photocopied.

1.6. What information can I obtain for my genealogical research?

For research of a historical nature, please contact the Archives of the Archdiocese at 514-925-4300, ext. 245.