

# *Rite of Confirmation*

## **Presentation of the Candidates**

*Candidates stand when your name is called, bow, and be seated as the next name is called.*

## **Homily**

### **Renewal of Baptismal Promises** *(Candidates, please stand)*

Bishop: Do you renounce Satan and all his works and empty promises?

All: **I do**

Bishop: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

All: **I do**

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

All: **I do**

Bishop: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who today through the Sacrament of Confirmation is given to you in a special way just as he was given to the Apostles on the day of Pentecost?

All: **I do**

Bishop: Do you believe in the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

All: **I do**

Bishop: This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church. We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord.

All: **Amen**

## **Prayer during Laying On Of Hands**

*Extending hands over all those to be confirmed, the bishop prays:*

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who brought these your servants to new birth  
by water and the Holy Spirit,  
freeing them from sin:  
send upon them, O Lord, the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete;  
give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and fortitude,  
the spirit of knowledge and piety;  
fill them with the spirit of the fear of the Lord.  
Through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen**

## **Anointing with Chrism**

*Ushers will release confirmands and sponsors to approach the altar. The sponsor stands slightly behind and to the left of the Candidate, placing the right hand on the Candidate's right shoulder.*

Sponsor:                    Bishop, this is [Confirmation Name].  
Bishop:                    [Confirmation Name], be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.  
Newly Confirmed:        **Amen**  
Bishop:                    Peace be with you.  
Newly Confirmed:        **And with your spirit.**

## **Prayers of the Faithful**

The response will be: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Mass will continue with the Liturgy of the Eucharist and the Concluding Rite. Please be prepared to give a strong "Amen" after the three parts of the final blessing.*

## **Final Blessing**

May God the Father almighty bless you,  
whom he has made his  
adopted sons and daughters  
reborn from water and the Holy Spirit,  
and may he keep you worthy of his fatherly love.

**Amen**

May his Only begotten Son,  
who promised that the Spirit of truth  
would abide in his Church,  
bless you and confirm you by his power  
In the confession of the true faith.

**Amen**

May the Holy Spirit,  
who kindles the fire of charity  
in the hearts of disciples,  
bless you and lead you  
blameless and gathered as one  
into the joy of the Kingdom of God.

**Amen**