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## Confirmation Preparation Sheet

### What Is Confirmation?

- ★ Confirmation celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit.
- ★ In the Acts of the Apostles chapter 2, verses 1 to 13, we read of the Apostles receiving the Holy Spirit. They had been hiding after Jesus' death, afraid and uncertain.
- ★ The coming of the Holy Spirit with his gifts inspired them and enabled them to take the step of preaching the good news.
- ★ We are made members of God's family at Baptism. At Confirmation, our Baptism is completed or "sealed" by the Holy Spirit and we are called to be Christian witnesses, just like the apostles.
- ★ The Holy Spirit is the primary gift we receive in Confirmation, so we can grow even stronger in our calling to be Christ's disciples.

### Gifts of the Holy Spirit

- ✓ Confirmed people receive the spiritual gifts of the Holy Spirit: **wisdom, understanding, right judgment, courage, knowledge, reverence, and wonder and awe.**
- ✓ These gifts help them grow deeper spiritually, in order to deepen their faith and grow closer to God.

### How is the Confirmation Mass structured?

- ❖ The Confirmation Mass proceeds as usual **until the 'Presentation of Candidates' just before the homily.**
- ❖ This is when the actual rite of Confirmation begins.

**The Confirmation ceremony is in four parts:**

The following video is quite good at outlining the Confirmation ceremony. Questions and notes have been inserted. Please watch it and it will help.

<https://edpuzzle.com/assignments/5ef1e118ba9e603f2ab7bccb/watch>

- 1. Presentation of the Candidates**
- 2. Renewal of Baptismal Promises**
- 3. The Laying on of Hands**
- 4. Anointing with Chrism.**