

# RITE OF ENROLMENT OF CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION

**Catechist:** Will those who wish to be confirmed please come forward to the sanctuary (full names are now read out all together)

(The candidates stand before the priest. Catechists should also come forward)

**Priest:** Candidates, I now ask you formally to state in the presence of our parish community that you wish to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation. What do you ask of God Church?

**Candidates:** The Sacrament of Confirmation

**Priest:** When you are confirmed, you will receive the Holy Spirit, who will give you strength to bear witness to your faith. Are you ready, with the help of God to become a witness of Jesus Christ in your daily life?

**Candidates:** I am

Priest (speaking to the catechists). Catechists will you walk with these young people who the parish community treasures. Will you help them to grow in their faith and knowledge and lead them to a greater love of God and neighbour in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Catechists:** We will

**Priest** (speaking to the congregation) And you, members of the congregation, will you promise to help these young people in your hearts, supporting them in their journey of faith with your prayers, example and encouragement.

**All:** We will.

**Priest:** Father of all, we thank you for these, our brothers and sisters, who have asked to be confirmed. Since their baptism, you have loved them with a Father's love, and you are now calling them to enter into a deeper relationship with you through the grace of the Holy Spirit. Today they have responded to their call. Continue to bless them and guide them, and keep them always in your love. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen