

# Confirmation Q & A

## 1. What is a Sacrament?

A Sacrament is a sign of God's presence and love for us. A sacrament is a special meeting with the Risen Jesus.

## 2. How many sacraments are there?

There are seven sacraments in total.

## 3. What are the Seven Sacraments?

Baptism, Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage, Holy Orders, Sacrament of the Sick.

## 4. How many Sacraments Have You Already Received?

I have already received three sacraments: Baptism, Penance and Eucharist.

## 5. Whom Do We Meet in a Special Way in the Sacraments?

We meet Jesus in a special way in the Sacraments.

## 6. How Would You Describe Christ's Presence in Baptism?

Christ's presence in Baptism is a welcoming one.

## 7. Why Does God Our Father Send Us the Holy Spirit?

God our Father sends us the Holy Spirit to help us be like Jesus and to make us his witnesses in the world.

## 8. What Does it Mean to be a Witness to Christ?

We are called to speak about Jesus in our words and actions. We become lights of the world.

## 9. Can you Give Examples of Witnesses to Christ?

Mother Teresa, Martin Luther King, our parents, ourselves.

## 10. Who are Witnesses to Christ in our Community?

People who support or organise events or activities that make life better in our community eg. \_\_\_\_\_

People who work voluntarily and stand up for what is right, despite opposition.

### **11. What Must We Do to Become Witnesses to Christ?**

We must “Always treat others as you would like them to treat you”. We must also live “The Beatitudes”.

### **12. What are the Gifts of the Holy Spirit?**

The seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit are: Wisdom, Understanding, Right Judgement, Courage, Knowledge, Reverence, Wonder and Awe in God’s Presence.

### **13. What are the Fruits of the Holy Spirit?**

The nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit are: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Gentleness, Trustfulness and Self-Control.

### **14. What Type of Oils are used in Baptism?**

Oil of Chrism and Oil of Catechumens are used in Baptism.

### **15. What Type of Oil is Used in Confirmation?**

Oil of Chrism is used in Confirmation.

### **16. What is the Anointing of Oil a Symbol of?**

It is a symbol of being strengthened by the Holy Spirit and of being chosen for a special mission.

### **17. In What Other Sacrament is Oil Used?**

Oil of Chrism is used in Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. The Oil of the Sick is used in the Sacrament of the Sick.

### **18. When Are the Oils Blessed?**

Oils are blessed during a special mass on Holy Thursday.

### **19. What Sign Does the Bishop Make on our Foreheads at Confirmation?**

The Bishop makes the Sign of the Cross on our foreheads.

## **20. What Are the Main Parts of the Rite of Confirmation?**

The four main parts of the Rite of Confirmation are: The Calling of Names, The Renewal of Baptismal Promises, The Laying on of Hands, The Anointing With Chrism.

## **21. What Does the Word “Confirm” Mean?**

The word “Confirm” means to make definite; to inform that something is definitely true.

## **22. How Do You Confirm Yourself?**

I confirm myself by renewing my Baptismal Promises during the Rite of Confirmation.

## **23. How Would You Describe Christ’s Presence in Confirmation?**

Christ’s presence in Confirmation is a strengthening and maturing presence.

## **24. What Are the Symbols of the Holy Spirit?**

The Symbols of the Holy Spirit are: Wind, Breath, Fire and Dove.

## **25. Why Do We Choose a Confirmation Name?**

At Confirmation we choose a new name as a sign that we are ready to start a new life. We are ready to begin living in a new way. We are ready to serve God.

## **26. Why Do We Have a Sponsor at Confirmation?**

At Confirmation, our sponsor promises to help and support us to grow as a follower of Jesus. The sponsor promises to help us to be a true worker for the Kingdom.

## **27. When Did Jesus First Send the Holy Spirit?**

Jesus first sent the Holy Spirit to the Apostles at Pentecost.

## **28. When Did God Give Us the Ten Commandments?**

God first gave the Ten Commandments to Moses on Mount Sinai.

## **29. What Are the Beatitudes?**

The Beatitudes are eight blessings taught by Jesus during his Sermon on the Mount, recounted in the Gospel of St. Matthew.

### **30. What Are the Theological Virtues?**

The three theological virtues are: Faith, Hope and Charity.

### **31. Why Are the Virtues Important?**

The Virtues are the basis on which our moral life is based. They are a reflection of the presence and action of the Holy Spirit within our lives.

### **32. What is the Name of Your Priest/Parish Priest?**

Our priest's name is \_\_\_\_\_ and our Parish Priest's name is \_\_\_\_\_.

### **33. What is the Name of Your Bishop?**

Our bishop's name is Bishop \_\_\_\_\_.

### **34. In What Diocese Do You Live?**

We live in the Diocese of \_\_\_\_\_.

### **35. Who is the Patron Saint of Your Diocese?**

The Patron Saint of our Diocese is \_\_\_\_\_.

### **36. What is the Name of the Current Pope?**

The pope's name is Pope Francis.