

REVIEW FOR CONFIRMATION

Students need to know the following terms and definitions as they relate to Confirmation:

Absolution is a prayer of forgiveness for sins given by a priest usually during confession.

The Beatitudes are the basic principles of life in God's kingdom. They were given to us by Jesus Christ.

The Bishop is the person who is a successor of the apostles and he is the leader of a diocese.

When we refer to the Body of Christ we are referring to the church. It is the community of those who are united with Christ and with one another in Christ.

A catechumen is an unbaptized person who is being initiated into the church.

Chrism is the perfumed oil used in sacraments of anointing. It is used in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

A formal summary of our beliefs is called a creed. The Nicene Creed is the prayer that summarizes the basis of our religion.

Diocese is a catholic community made up of many parishes. Our church is a part of the diocese of New York.

After the gospel is read at mass, the priest usually talks about the readings. This is called a homily.

God's guidance of the writers of the Bible so that their words were really God's word is called inspiration.

When we attend mass, the Liturgy is the Church's official public worship.

Revelation is God speaking to us. He tells us about himself, ourselves and about the world.

The Rite of Christian Initiation is the process of religious education and liturgical celebration through which one is prepared for full sacramental life in the Church. The three sacraments involved in the Rite of Christian Initiation are: Baptism, Communion, Eucharist and Confirmation). They are celebrated at the Easter Vigil.

A sponsor is a baptized, confirmed Catholic who models Christian living and presents the candidate to the bishop.

A witness is one who tells what he or she has seen or heard.

The two sections of the bible are divided into the Old Testament (Hebrew Scripture) and the New Testament (Christian Scripture).

Holy Thursday: The day Jesus celebrated Passover, washed the feet of his apostles. The first Mass took place.

Good Friday: Jesus was crucified and died at 3pm.

Easter Sunday: Jesus rose from the dead (the Resurrection of the Lord).

Pentecost: Feast celebrated 50 days after Easter Sunday. It is considered the birthday of the Church. The apostles first received the Holy Spirit on Pentecost.

Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit and know their meaning:

Wisdom: To see all sides and possess great vision

Courage: Enables one to live up to decisions he/she has made despite pressures.

Wonder and Awe: Recognize we are always in the presence God.

Right Judgment: Making good decisions with intellect and heart.

Knowledge: Thinking clearly, intelligently and perceptively.

Understanding: "walk in another's shoes" and see a situation through another's eyes

Reverence: To treasure and respect all life.

Rite of Confirmation:

Bishop: "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Confirmation Candidate: "Amen"

Bishop will shake hand with Confirmation Candidate and say:

"Peace be with you."

Four basic parts of the Mass and briefly explain:

Introductory Rite

Liturgy of the Word

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Concluding Rite

The Ten Commandments given to Moses by God:

1. I am the Lord, your God. You shall not have strange gods before me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain.
3. Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.
4. Honor your father and mother.
5. You shall not kill

6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. (Do not lie.)
9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

Corporal Works of Mercy:

To feed the hungry.
To give drink to the thirsty
To clothe the naked
To visit the imprisoned
To shelter the homeless
To care for the sick
To bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy.

To correct the sinner
To teach the ignorant
To counsel the doubtful
To comfort the sorrowful
To bear wrongs patiently
To forgive all injuries
To pray for the living and the dead.

Prayers the Confirmation Candidates are to know:

The Our Father
The Hail Mary
The Apostles' Creed
Glory be to the Father
Act of Contrition