Conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

**Bishop: Do you renounce Satan**

**and all his works and all his empty promises?**

Candidates: I do.

**Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father Almighty,**

**Creator of heaven and earth?**

Candidates: 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?**

Candidates: 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?**

Candidates: 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?**

Candidates: 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.

Laying On of Hands

**Bishop: Dearly beloved,**

**let us pray to God the almighty Father,**

**for these, his adopted sons and daughters,**

**already born again to eternal life in Baptism,**

**that he will graciously pour out the Holy Spirit upon them**

**to confirm them with his abundant gifts,**

**and through his anointing**

**conform them to be more like Christ the Son of God.**

**(silent prayer)**

**All-powerful 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.

Prayer of the Faithful

**Deacon: For these sons and daughters of God,**

**confirmed by the gift of the Spirit,**

**that they may give witness to Christ**

**by lives built on faith and love,**

**let us pray to the Lord:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

 **For their parents and godparents**

**who led them in faith,**

**that by word and example**

**they may always encourage them**

**to follow the way of Jesus Christ,**

**let us pray to the Lord:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**For the holy Church of God,**

**in union with Francis, our Pope, and Joseph, our Bishop,**

**and all the Bishops, that God,**

**who gathers us together by the Holy Spirit,**

**may help us grow in unity of faith and love**

**until his Son returns in glory,**

**let us pray to the Lord:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

**For all men and women,**

**of every race and nation,**

**that they may acknowledge the one God as Father,**

**and in the bond of common fellowship**

**seek his Kingdom,**

**which is peace and joy in the Holy Spirit,**

**let us pray to the Lord:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*