

Confirmation

Baptism, the Eucharist, and the sacrament of Confirmation together constitute the “sacraments of Christian initiation, whose unity must be safeguarded. It must be explained to the faithful that the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of baptismal grace.

- Catechism of the Catholic Church 1285

Parents are the primary instructors in the faith for their children. The parish has a team of catechetical leaders who will support parents in the religious education and sacramental preparation of their children.

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Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, as a group of three Sacraments, are called the “Sacraments of Initiation.” A Sacrament is a visible sign of God’s presence, God’s activity in our lives, in the Church and in our world. But it goes beyond that! Sacraments not only show us what God is like and what God dreams for us; Sacraments also make that happen!

So, what does Confirmation say to us about the God we believe in? Three things jump readily to mind.

- Confirmation (together with Baptism and Eucharist) tells us that God wants each and every one of us to belong—first of all, to God! Second of all, God wants us to belong to one another, to care for each other and to form a community of faith with other believers. God is a family—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—and God gives us the grace, in these Sacraments of Initiation, to form human families that continue to reveal God’s love to the world.
- Confirmation also tells us that our purpose in life is to know, love and serve God in all kinds of ways, but especially through one another. In this Sacrament, as in Baptism, we are anointed for service.
- The prayers of Confirmation tell us something really important about how strengthens us and empowers us for service. In this Sacrament, God gives us the seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit to strengthen and sustain us on the journey. These seven gifts are:

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- Wisdom
- Understanding
- Right Judgement
- Courage
- Knowledge
- Reverence
- Wonder and Awe