Confirmation 2021

Preparing to Celebrate the Sacrament

A Prayer as We Teach Remotely

- God of Wisdom be our source of creativity as we seek to find new ways to reach out to each and every student. Help us to rejoice in the successes and to be gentle with ourselves and others when things don't go to plan.
- God of Patience encourage us in our use of seesaw; google classrooms; padlet, emails or zoom. Give us an abundance of patience as we learn to engage with so many different tools so that we can meet the needs of our students. Help us to be patient with ourselves and those around us as well.

A Prayer as We Teach Remotely

God of Love how blessed we are to know that you love us beyond measure. Help us to radiate that love in all our interactions these days. Open our hearts to receive your blessings so that we might in turn be a blessing to others.

May your wisdom O God be our wisdom, your patience, our patience and your love, our love. Amen.

(Adapted from a Prayer by Sr Paula Damiano https://spsmw.org/2020/08/19/a-prayer-forteachers-during-this-pandemic/)

Proposal for 2021

- Video from Bishop Denis
- Invitation to Reflect on Readiness for Confirmation & Commitment being made
- My Confirmation Promise
- Preparation Home/School/Parish Approach
- The Journey Begins 25 March 12:00



Celebration of Confirmation

What preparation? How? When?

What Preparation?

Home School Parish

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Contact Details of Families

Sacramental Contact Form





Before March 25 the Candidates should

Have watched Bishop Denis's video, discussed the questions and	Have chosen their Confirmation Name & Sponsor	Be prepared to participate in the Diocesan Celebration on 25
completed & returned the My Confirmation Promise Form to the school/parish		March

Before March 25 the Candidates should Know

- Sacrament
- Confirmation is one of Seven Sacraments
- In Confirmation we confirm what happened at Baptism
- In Confirmation we are anointed with the Oil of Chrism
- In Confirmation we choose a new name and a sponsor to support us
- The Holy Spirit
- The Holy Spirit is a Helper and Guide and the third member of the Trinity
 The Story of Pentecost
 Symbols of the Holy Spirit

- Prayer
- Come Holy Spirit

Grow in Love

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Journal for the Journey

Start a Confirmation Journal Suggestions in Grow in Love

I: Sacrament

"	Confirmation is one of
"	Seven Sacraments

Identify & name the seven Sacraments Name the sacraments of Initiation



In Confirmation we confirm what happened at Baptism



In Confirmation we are anointed with the Oil of Chrism

In Confirmation we choose a new name and a sponsor to support us in our faith journey

- Page 90 Text Book (5th class)
- Page 308 (5th class)
- Chatting (page 313 5th class)
- Sacraments of Initiation History (PDF)
- P296-297 (5th Class)
- Story of Jesus' Baptism (P83 Text Book 5th Class)
- My Baptism (PDF)
- Key Words (Page 422 6th Class)
- P310 (5th class)
- Page 313-314 (5th class) (p92 Text Book 5th Class
 & 111-112 6th Class)
 - Project My Confirmation Name
 - Invitation to Sponsor

II: The Holy Spirit

- The Holy Spirit is a Helper and Guide and the third member of the Trinity
- The Story of Pentecost

• Symbols of the Holy Spirit

- Story: An Indian Legend
 - Chatting, Brainstorm & Group Activity
 pp 293-296 (5th Class)
- Pp406-407 (6th class) & p103(text book)

P311 Poem the Holy Spirit & p94 (text book) 5th class

Prayer

Come Holy SpiritPage 113 (Textbook 6th Classhttps://app.growinlove.ie/en/user/lesson-resources/404

Music

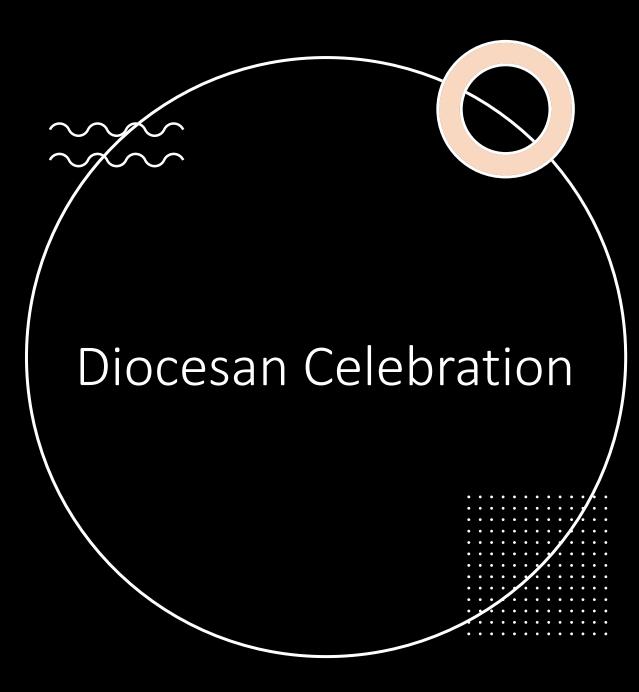
- Spirit Anthem p324 (5th Class)
- <u>https://app.growinlove.ie/en/user/lesson-resources/405</u>
- Send Forth Your Spirit p440 (6th Class)
- <u>https://app.growinlove.ie/en/user/lesson-resources/517</u>
- Go Tell Everyone p323 (5th Class)
- <u>https://app.growinlove.ie/en/user/lesson-resources/404</u>



The Journey



25 March 202112:00Diocesan Celebration



- Mark Formal Beginning of Confirmation Journey
- Opportunity to reinforce what the children have learned
 - Pentecost Story
 - Oil of Chrism
 - Questions
 - Prayer



How?

Rite of Confirmation

When it is safe to do so When?



Next Steps

- Resources from this session, link to Bishop Denis' video & accompanying material will be sent out early next week
- Sacramental Contact Form
 - School can distribute the form
 - Parish set up contact database
- Arrange meeting between parish team, RE Coordinators & teachers
 - Decide on how material to home will be distributed & returned
 - Consider ways of making and maintaining contact with families
 - Setting up WhatsApp Group
 - Email/Text
 - If there is no contact from individual families
- Further resources will be made available after Easter