

Welcome and Introduction

Opening Prayer

Celebrant:

In baptism the children preparing for Confirmation entered into the Christian Community. As a reminder of being called by name into God's family at Baptism I now inviteto once again call each of the children preparing for Confirmation by name:

The children's names are called

Celebrant:

Loving God, we hear you say, 'I have called you by name you are mine' You have called each of these young people by name from this community of faith. As your Spirit continues to call us may we be always open to the presence of God among us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Addressing the children.

Celebrant: As you prepare to be confirmed in your faith at Confirmation, do you promise to take time to get ready to celebrate this important step on your journey of faith.

Children: I do.

Celebrant: Do you promise to try to spend some time in prayer each day.

Children: I do.

Celebrant: Do promise to deepen your friendship with Jesus by making a special effort to come to mass.

Children: I do.

Celebrant: Do you promise to try to be the kind of person that Jesus would want you to be - at home, in school and within the parish community.

Children: I do.

Promises of the Parents and Guardians

Celebrant

Tonight, I greet your parents, guardians and all who have accompanied you on your journey of faith this far. We ask God's blessing on all of them as they prepare with you to celebrate this sacrament.

Celebrant: Do you promise to help, support and encourage your child in their parish programme of preparation for Confirmation.

Parents: I do

Celebrant: Do you promise to try to be the best of teachers in the ways of faith by sharing with your child aspects of your own faith.

Parents: I do.

The renewing of our Baptismal Promises.

As members of the Christian Community, it is our responsibility to support, help and pray for these children. They are a reminder to us that through our Baptism we are all Children of God.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth

All: I do

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of Mary, was crucified, died and was buried. Rose from the dead and is now seated at the right hand of the Father.

All: I do

Celebrant: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting.

All: I do

This is our faith we are proud to profess it, in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Amen

Prayer of the Faithful

Our Father

Final Blessing

