

## SUPPLEMENTARY RITES

### RITE OF ENROLLMENT

After the homily, the presider invites the candidates and their parents to come forward, and addresses them in these or similar words:

Dear candidates for Confirmation,  
you have already received the life of Christ in Baptism.  
You have been called by God  
and welcomed into the Catholic Christian community.  
On the day of your Baptism,  
your parents and godparents made promises for you;  
they spoke in your name.

You have decided to present yourselves as candidates  
for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

You have prepared yourself for this Sacrament  
by prayer and study  
in your home, school, and in our parish community.  
We as a parish acknowledge your desire  
to be further initiated into the life of the Church.  
We ask you now to join us  
in renewing our baptismal promises.

**Presider:**

Do you believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth?

**All:**

I do.

**Presider:**

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?

**All:**

I do.

**Presider:**

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.

**Presider:**

This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church.  
We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**All:**

Amen.

**The presider, with hands extended over the candidates, concludes with the prayer:**

**Almighty God,  
you sent your only Son  
to rescue us from the slavery of sin  
and to give us the freedom  
only your sons and daughters enjoy.  
We pray for these candidates for Confirmation.  
Strengthen them during their final days of preparation  
for the coming of your Holy Spirit  
so that they will grow to be mature Christians  
in the fullness of Christ.**

**We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

**All:**

**Amen.**

**Accompanied by their parents or sponsors, the candidates may sign their names in a book or on a scroll to indicate their desire to be fully initiated into the Catholic community.**

**The Universal Prayer follows, and includes Intercessions for the candidates and for their families and sponsors.**