

Welcome to Confirmation Retreat 2016



Opening Prayer

Apostles Creed

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The Father almighty,
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I believe in the Holy Catholic Church.
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Amen.

The Salvation Story



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Gifts of the Holy Spirit



Wisdom



Understanding



Counsel

Fortitude



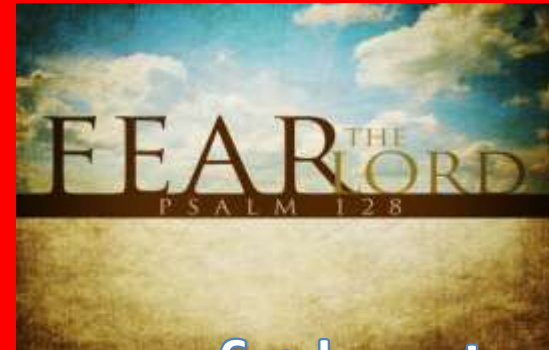
Piety



Fortitude



Knowledge



Fear of the Lord

The Pentecost Story

Acts 2:1-2



Reflection Questions

1. *What words were used to describe what filled the whole house?*
2. *The wind is used as a symbol to represent what?*
3. *The tongues of fire are used as a symbol to represent what?*
4. *What did the tongues of fire do?*
5. *What gift was given to the followers of Jesus?*

The Pentecost by Jean Restout (1732)

1. *What are the flames on each of the people's heads?*
2. *Why were the disciples locked in the upper room?*
3. *Who looks surprised in the painting*
4. *Who doesn't look surprised? Why*
5. *After the Holy Spirit came upon them in a strong wind and with tongues of fire, what happened next?*
6. *After receiving the Holy Spirit were the Apostles afraid? Why?*

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The Renewal of Baptismal Promises



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Priest: I now invite the candidates to stand.

Bishop: Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation: You received the light of Christ when you were baptized. On that day when you were welcomed into the Christian community, your parents or Godparents made promises for you. Now you are old enough to speak for yourselves, so today you have the opportunity of reaffirming your baptismal promises.

Bishop: Do you reject 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, was crucified, died and was buried, rose from the dead and is now 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 came to the apostles at Pentecost and who comes to you today/tonight in the sacrament of confirmation?

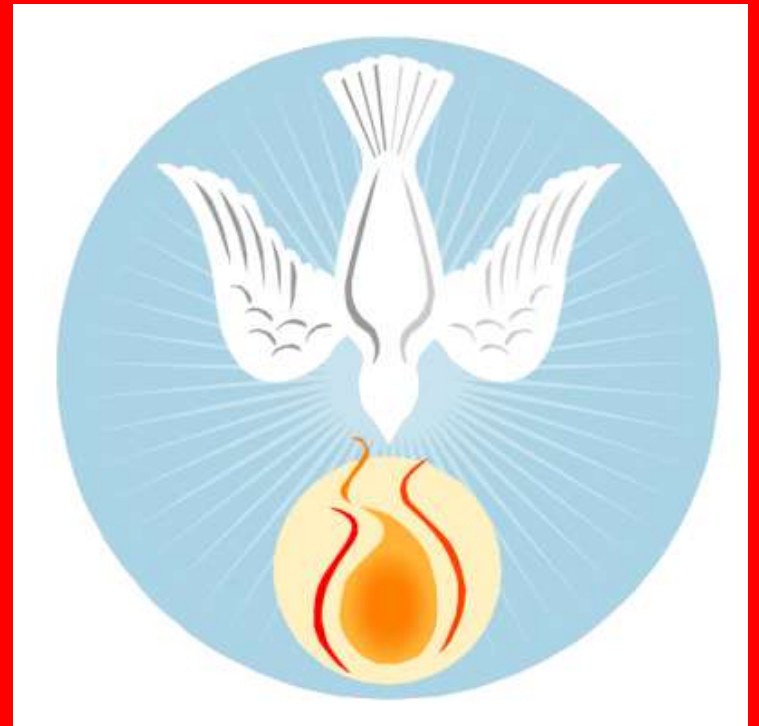
Candidates: I do.

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.

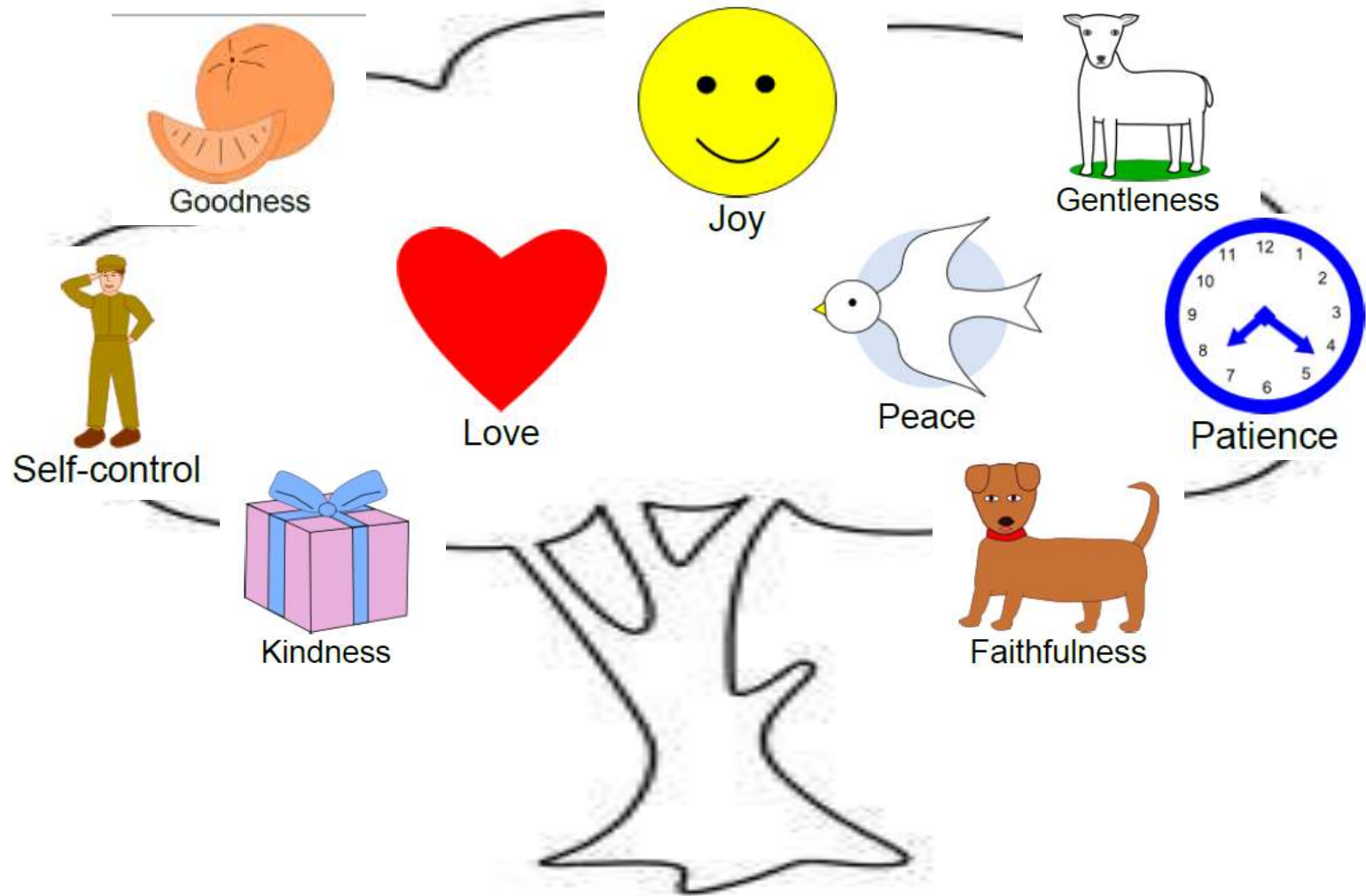
The Effect of Baptism and Confirmation



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Fruits of the Holy Spirit



Sponsors

- Need to be Catholic
- Need to be same gender
- Needs to be someone that can help you live a Ngapuny life

Laying on of hands

- Each candidate walks forward with their sponsor
- Sponsor is holding Confirmation card
- Candidate kneels before Bishop
- Sponsor has their right hand on candidates right shoulder
- Sponsor gives confirmation card to Fr Joel

- Bishop uses the oil of Chrism to make the sign of the Cross on their forehead saying:

Bishop: Name...be sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Candidate: **Amen**

Bishop: Peace be with you

Candidate: **And with your Spirit**

Reflection



Lunch