

# **The Order for the Conferral of Confirmation within Mass<sup>1</sup>**

## *Basic Outline*

### **Reading of Gospel**

**(The calling of the candidates)**

**The bishop gives the Homily.**

### **The Renewal of Baptismal Promises**

**Stand.**

**Bishop:** Do you renounce Satan,  
and all his works and 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,  
suffered death and was buried,  
rose again from the dead  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

**Candidates:** I do.

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**Bishop:** Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who today through the Sacrament of Confirmation  
is given to you in a special way  
just as he was given to the Apostles  
on the day of Pentecost?

**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.

**All:** Amen.

## The Laying On of Hands

**Bishop:** Dearly beloved,  
let us pray to God the almighty Father,  
for these, his adopted sons and daughters,  
already born again to eternal life in Baptism,  
that he will graciously pour out the Holy Spirit upon them  
to confirm them with his abundant gifts,  
and through his anointing  
conform them more fully to Christ, the Son of God.

All pray in silence for a while.

Then the Bishop lays hands over those to be confirmed (as do the Priests who are associated with him). But the Bishop alone says:

**Bishop:** Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who brought these your servants to new birth  
by water and the Holy Spirit,  
freeing them from sin:  
send upon them, O Lord, the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete;  
give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and fortitude,  
the spirit of knowledge and piety;  
fill them with the spirit of the fear of the Lord.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

## **The Anointing with Chrism**

The Bishop dips the tip of the thumb of his right hand in the Chrism and, with the thumb, makes the Sign of the Cross on the one to be confirmed, as he says:

**N., BE SEALED WITH THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

The newly confirmed replies:

Amen.

**Bishop:** Peace be with you.

**Newly Confirmed:** And with your spirit.