

**PREPARATION FORM FOR THE SACRED LITURGY  
THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION WITHIN MASS**

PLACE \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Parish/Church)

DATE AND TIME \_\_\_\_\_  
(Day and Date of Confirmation) (Time of Mass)

CELEBRANT \_\_\_\_\_  
Archbishop Edward Joseph Adams

**CELEBRATION OF MASS**

**Introductory Rites**

Entrance Hymn: \_\_\_\_\_

*The Bishop will incense the altar and cross. Please allow either the hymn or instrumental music to accompany this action.*

On Sundays, especially in Easter Time, the blessing and sprinkling of water as a memorial of Baptism may take place from time to time in all churches and chapels, even in Masses anticipated on Saturday evenings.

If this rite is celebrated during Mass, it takes the place of the usual Penitential Act at the beginning of Mass. (Roman Missal, Appendix II)

The Rite of Blessing and Sprinkling Holy Water: Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, the accompanying hymn: \_\_\_\_\_

Or

Penitential Act:

\_\_\_\_\_ #4 (Confiteor - If chosen, the Kyrie should be sung)

\_\_\_\_\_ #5

\_\_\_\_\_ #6

Gloria

The *Gloria* is always sung with the ritual Mass, *For the Conferral of Confirmation*, even during Advent and Lent. When another Mass is celebrated other than *For the Conferral Confirmation*, then the rubrics

for that Mass indicate whether or not there is a *Gloria*. The text must be faithful to the translation in the *Roman Missal*.

Collect: Roman Missal, page \_\_\_\_\_

### Liturgy of the Word

The *Lectionary for Mass* provides the scripture readings and the chants between the readings for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation. The *Responsorial Psalm* and the *Gospel Acclamation* are to be sung. During the *Gospel Acclamation* there should be incense and candles to accompany the procession to the ambo with the *Book of the Gospels*. A reflective silence follows the *First Reading*, the *Second Reading* and the *Homily*.

*The proper readings for Sunday must be used for the Sundays of Advent, Lent and Easter Time, including anticipated celebrations. The proper readings must be used on all the days of the Octave of Easter and all Solemnities, including anticipated celebrations. On all other days, including feasts, the readings for the Ritual Mass for Confirmation are used as found in Volume IV of the Lectionary for Mass. The text for the Responsorial Psalm must be the given biblical text. Paraphrased texts and hymns may never substitute for the sung Word of God. The Acclamation before the Gospel and verse comes from the choices provided in the Lectionary for Mass.*

#### **Please use the following readings:**

First Reading Scripture Citation Joel 2:23a,26--3:1-3a

Lectionary Number 764

Responsorial Psalm Scripture Citation Psalm 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4,5,6

Lectionary Number 766

Second Reading Scripture Citation Acts 2:1-6, 14, 22b-23, 32-33

Lectionary Number 765

Acclamation before the Gospel

Lectionary Number 767, No. 3

\_\_\_\_\_ sung, \_\_\_\_\_ recited

*The Bishop will impose incense prior to the procession with the Book of the Gospels.*

Gospel Scripture Citation John 14:15-17

Book of Gospel Number 55  
Lectionary Number 768

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Hymn during the Anointing \_\_\_\_\_

**Liturgy of the Eucharist**

Hymn/Music during the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

\_\_\_\_\_

*The Bishop will incense the gifts, the altar and the cross. Please allow either the hymn or instrumental music to accompany this action.*

Prayer over the Offerings Roman Missal, page \_\_\_\_\_

The *Holy, Holy, Holy*, the *Mystery of Faith*, and the *Amen* during the *Eucharistic Prayer* are to be sung by all. The *Lamb of God* is to be sung as well.

Our Father \_\_\_\_\_ recited \_\_\_\_\_ sung

Communion Hymn \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer after Communion Roman Missal, page \_\_\_\_\_

Is a presentation to the Bishop planned to follow the Prayer after Communion?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Concluding Rite**

Recessional Hymn/Music \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

1. Archbishop Adams requests that the candidates process and are seated prior to the time scheduled for Mass to begin.

2. If the meal after the Confirmation Liturgy takes place at a site other than the parish, Archbishop Adams will not attend and will leave after photos are taken with the newly confirmed.
  
3. Catholic School Principal: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Director/Coordinator  
 of Religious Education: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Catechists/Teachers: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Please indicate the number of candidates being confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
                                     Children \_\_\_\_\_                                    Adults \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Name of Concelebrants \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
  
6. Names of Deacons: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
  
7. Name of Lector (s)  
                                     1<sup>st</sup> reading: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                     2<sup>nd</sup> reading: \_\_\_\_\_
  
8. Ground Transportation will be provided by:  
  
     Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
     Telephone/Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_
  
9. Other notes:

Return form to [pdangelo@archphila.org](mailto:pdangelo@archphila.org)  
 Questions, please call 215-965-8190

## PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Your Excellency,

The parish of the \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Parish)

is honored by the presence of a successor of the apostles.

I present to you, our sons and daughters  
who are candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Under the guidance of their parents, guardians and catechists  
and with the prayerful support and encouragement  
of this parish community  
they have prepared for this Sacrament of Christian Initiation  
which was begun at their baptism.

I ask that you impose hands upon them  
and anoint them with the Sacred Chrism,  
sealing them with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

We pray that their participation in the Holy Eucharist  
with all of us assembled here  
will strengthen them as faithful witnesses to Christ.