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The candidates are called.

The Priest/catechist will call each candidate by name.

The Candidate stands

Optional and replies.

**I am present**

The candidates remain standing, then are seated again for the homily.

### Homily

all stand up

### Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Celebrant: Do you renounce Satan, and all his works and empty promises?

Candidates: **I DO.**

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Celebrant: 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?

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

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Celebrant: Do you believe in the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body and Life everlasting?

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## Laying on of hands

The concelebrating priests stand near the celebrant. He faces the people and with hands joined says:

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 abundant gifts,  
and through his anointing  
conform them more fully to Christ, the Son of God.

All pray in silence for a short time.

The celebrant and the priests who will minister the sacrament with him lay hands upon all the candidates (by extending their hands over them). The celebrant alone says:

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**

## Anointing with Chrism

Each candidate then goes in turn to stand before the Bishop. The sponsor tells the Celebrant the confirmation name and the sponsor places their right hand on the candidate's right shoulder, standing to the left of the candidate

The Bishop / The Parish Priest:  
N., be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit

Candidate: **Amen.**

The Bishop / The Parish Priest: Peace be with you.

Candidate: **And with your spirit.**

The candidate and sponsor then return to their place

During the Anointing with the Sacred Chrism we keep a prayerful silence.

## The Bidding prayers