

Confirmation – Liturgy Planning Sheet

Please return to the Office of the Bishop no later than **two weeks** prior to the ceremony. Completed forms can be either emailed to ddeorosan@diocesealex.org or faxed to (318) 767-1230. Also, if there are certificates for the bishop to sign, they should be received in the Office of the Bishop **two weeks** prior to the ceremony. For questions regarding this form or the Rite of Confirmation, please contact Deacon Richard Mitchell at the email above or (318) 445-2401 ext. 206. Typically a Diocesan Master of Ceremonies will accompany the Bishop and assist at Confirmations.

In planning for your Parish Confirmation, please note GIRM 372 which states “Ritual Masses” are prohibited on the following days within the confirmation seasons: *Sundays of Easter, on Solemnities, on the days within the Octave of Easter, and on the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day)*. Confirmations held on these days, at the Saturday Vigil or Sunday Mass, will use readings proper for the day.

Also, when planning the music for the celebration, it is appropriate to select music familiar to the congregation to ensure they have the opportunity to participate in singing and are able to appropriately respond to the sung Mass parts.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Parish: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____
Pastor’s Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Mass for the Conferral of Confirmation **OR** Mass of the Day (*See note above*)

Vestment Color: _____ (*Must correspond with Mass selected above*)

Number of High School Juniors/Seniors to be confirmed: _____ + Adults: _____ = Total: _____

Altar servers: Yes No Deacon: Yes No

Will incense be used? Yes No *If yes, it is used at the entrance, the Gospel, and Preparation of Gifts.*

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Penitential Rite – Please choose ONE of the below options:

Rite of Blessing and Sprinkling of Water **OR** Penitential Act: Option A B or C

Glory to God: Yes No If yes, Sung Recited (*Sung for Sundays outside of Advent or Lent, Solemnities & Feasts*)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Scripture Reference: _____ Responsorial Psalm: _____

Second Reading Scripture Reference: _____

(*Gospel Acclamation should be sung*)

Will the Book of the Gospels be used? Yes No

Gospel Scriptural Reference: _____ Gospel proclaimed by: _____

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

After Gospel, Candidates will be presented by DRE/Catechist Pastor Other _____

Will there be music played during the anointing? Yes No *If yes, music is to be played pianissimo (very softly)*

Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful) will be recited by: Deacon Newly Confirmed

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Lord’s Prayer will be Sung Recited

The Concluding Rites

The Bishop will conclude the ceremony with the Concluding Rite below. If there will be a printed program, please include these responses to assist those who may not be familiar with this Episcopal blessing:

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord. **Response:** *Now and forever.*

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord. **Response:** *Who made heaven and earth.*

Group and/or individual photos will be taken with the bishop: Before Mass or After Mass

Please Note: *the bishop will be available for a short time after the celebration for individual photos and to visit with the community.*