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THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Garry Cornell

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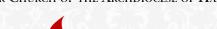
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# THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

**SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2024** 

Principal Celebrant
The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne
Archbishop of Hartford

Principal Concelebrant
The Most Reverend Juan Miguel Betancourt, SEMV
Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford, Director of Seminarians

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## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

#### **PRELUDE**



#### GREETING

Archbishop: Peace be with you.
All: And with your spirit.

**COLLECT** 

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 36:24-28



Bless the LORD, O my soul!

O LORD my God, how great you are.

How many are your works, O LORD!

The earth is full of your creatures. ₧

You take away their breath, they die, returning to the dust from which they came.

You send forth your spirit, and they are

created.

and you renew the face of the earth. R.

May the glory of the LORD last forever!

May the LORD rejoice in his works!

May my thoughts be pleasing to him.

I will rejoice in the LORD. R.

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SECOND READING

Romans 8:26-27



Good News Acclamation



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Verse: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful

and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Deacon/Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

Deacon/Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL John 15:18-21, 26-27

The entire assembly remains standing after the proclamation of the Gospel. The Archbishop kisses the Evangelary (Book of the Gospels) and blesses the assembly. They gesture themselves with the sign of the cross, as the Archbishop raises the Evangelary to impart the blessing.

THE CANDIDATES ARE NOW PRESENTED TO ARCHBISHOP COYNE.

HOMILY

The Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne Archbishop of Hartford

## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

#### RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

The candidates STAND and Archbishop questions them. (Others remain seated.)

Archbishop: Do you renounce Satan, and all his works and empty

promises?

Candidates: I do.

Archbishop: Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of

heaven and earth?

Candidates: I do.

Archbishop: 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.

Archbishop: 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.

Archbishop: 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.

Archbishop: 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

Archbishop: 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 this anointing conform them more fully to

Christ, the Son of God.

 $then \ the \ Archbishop \ lays \ hands \ over \ all \ those \ to \ be \ confirmed...$ 

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 holy chrism is brought forward for the anointing of the candidates. With their sponsors, the candidates now go to be anointed. The sponsors place their right hand on the shoulder of the one they present. With the chrism the bishops anoint each candidate on the forehead.

Bishop: (Name), be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.

Newly Confirmed: Amen.

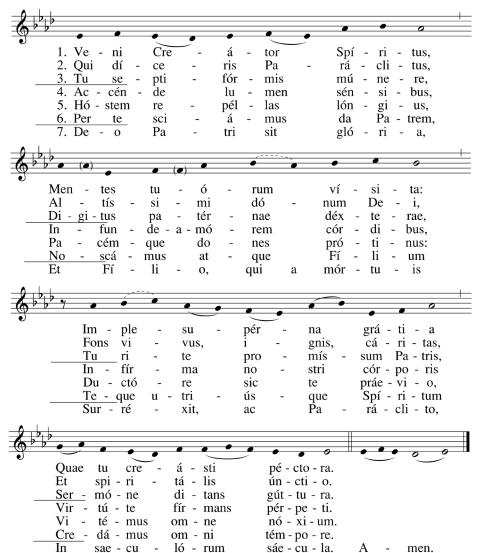
Bishop: Peace be with you.

Newly Confirmed: And with your spirit.

In the anointing with Chrism and the accompanying words, the effect of the giving of the Holy Spirit is clearly signified. Signed with the perfumed oil by the hand of the Bishop, the baptized receive the indelible character, the seal of the Lord, together with the gift of the Spirit that conforms them more fully to Christ and gives them the grace of spreading among men and women "the pleasing fragrance of Christ."



Veni Creator Spiritus/Duruflé



Anthem: If Ye Love Me Thomas Tallis