

Confirmation Service Record

Confirmation candidates are asked to document
ten hours of service on this record.
Keep in mind that a true disciple
continues a life of loving service.

"We can do no great things; only small things with great love."

- Mother Teresa

I affirm that _____ has completed the following service hours
in preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation by offering time and help in the following
ways:

1. Service description: _____

Hours served: _____ Leader's signature: _____

2. Service description: _____

Hours served: _____ Leader's signature: _____

3. Service description: _____

Hours served: _____ Leader's signature: _____

***Write a brief summary of your service experience below. Include new insights that
you may have gained from the experience about yourself or about performing acts of
charity.***

Parent's signature: _____

Student's signature: _____



GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Wisdom – the gift that makes it possible for us to see all sides of an issue and make the correct choice. It helps us know what to do and say in order to act and speak in ways consistent with God's will. A wise person has the ability to look past appearances and realize that there is more to life than meets the eye, a wise friend knows there is more to each of us than meets the eye.

Understanding – the gift that is a way of seeing and thinking that results from faith in God, of seeing with the heart, not just with our intellect. An understanding person is able to bring harmony and peace to a situation or a relationship because he/she can look deeper into circumstances; this person is able to know where someone is coming from. An understanding friend is able to “tune in” to others, can compromise and bring people together.

Counsel (Right Judgment) – the gift that helps us to be open to the guidance and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, it helps us to discern and apply our Christian faith to specific situations. This person has the ability to make good decisions and can stand on their own two feet. A friend with this gift of counsel doesn't place blame on someone else if he/she makes a bad choice, this friend accepts responsibility for their choices, they own up to them.

Fortitude (Courage) – the gift that helps us to remain faithful to the Gospel in spite of cultural trends. The word courage comes from a Latin and French word for “heart.” This gift helps us to put our hearts into what we do or to stand up for principles we believe in. Courage is important in growing, living and loving too. A friend with courage has mental and moral toughness and doesn't try to escape daily pressures with drugs or alcohol or other destructive behaviors. This friend is faithful and perseveres in attaining their goals. A friend with courage is a gentle spirit and would never tear someone down, especially someone who is already struggling.

Knowledge – the gift that helps us to comprehend divine truths even when the human intellect cannot, to realize that the human mind is limited but that we may perceive truths in an intuitive manner. This gift helps us to recognize that there is always more to learn, to discover about a person, a place, the world. The gift of knowledge makes us hungry to know more, especially about ourselves and our relationships. A friend with the gift of knowledge is honest and he/she recognizes that God's grace abounds.

Piety (Reverence) – the gift that helps us to remain devoted to God and to relate to each other as faithful Christians; it helps us to recognize one another as sons and daughters of God. Respect and reverence go hand in hand, so reverence isn't for someone who is arrogant or all about themselves. A friend who is reverent recognizes the preciousness of all of creation, especially our natural environment and respects its mysterious nature. This type of friend knows the importance of prayer and solitude as well as celebrating Eucharist with the faith community. This gift leads us to a deeper relationship with God and more authentic relationships with others.

Fear of the Lord (Wonder and Awe) – the gift that helps us recognize God as total mystery and beyond comprehension, it helps us to remain humble and astonished in God's presence. Think about Moses, St. Paul, Mary – they had experiences of God that was beyond their understanding, yet this gift enabled them to believe in God, to trust God and ultimately to obey God. A friend with this gift is humble and full of wonder about God's action in the world and in their lives. This friend is excited about life, especially about where a life of faith may lead them. This friend is full of enthusiasm and doesn't need to be entertained; they are never bored or boring and they don't worry about what others think. A life of faith is an adventure for them.