

+Dear QOA Families,

Congratulations to our soon-to-be installed Pastor, Father Matthew Windle. We at Queen of Angels Regional Catholic School, thank Father Windle for his wonderful support and involvement of our school. We pray that Jesus continue to guide him as our pastor for many years to come. We are blessed to have you as our Pastor, Father Windle. Thank you for all you are and do for us! We appreciate you and thank God for you!!!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful! Congratulations to our wonderful Confirmandi, their Families, and their Catechists. Students being confirmed from Saint David and Our Lady Help of Christians Parish enjoyed a retreat in preparation to receive a strengthening of the Holy Spirit. As 1303 of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches: "Confirmation brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace: it unites us more firmly to Christ; it increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us; it renders our bond with the Church more perfect; it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross."

Congratulations to our 2020 Confirmation Class: Isabella Ando-McLane, Theodore Clements, Therese Dooley, Ryan Feilke, Michael Foley, Evelyn Forss, Mia Fossessa, Jamison Hartman, Karen Hoffner, Cecelia Horan, Nathan Johnson, Brooke Jones, Madeline Lips, Nathaniel Marshall, Claire McNamee, Colin Morgan, Andrew Pileggi, Noah Puleo, Darren Rodzvic, Nicholas Sawick, John Stelacio, Nicholas Tait, Julia Waltrich, Alicia Yerkes, and Luke Zeigenfuss!

A few of our Confirmandi shared their thoughts on what Confirmation means to them:

Nate Johnson: Confirmation is a time when I get to be an adult in the Catholic Church.

Madeline Lips: Confirmation helps me to grow in my relationship with God.

Evelyn Forss: Confirmation is a time when we are filled with the Holy Spirit and He then guides us throughout our lives.

Julia Waltrich: Confirmation gives us the strength and courage to be fully involved in the Church.

Noah Puleo: The Holy Spirit will help me to get closer to God and to be more active in the Church.

Cecelia Horan: Confirmation gives us the strength to grow in our relationship with God.

John Stelacio: Confirmation is the next step in my faith journey and in helping me to grow closer to God.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray.

Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit You have taught the hearts of Your faithful.

In the same Spirit, help us to know what is truly right and always to rejoice in Your consolation.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

May the Holy Spirit continue to strengthen us in living our faith courageously!

In Mary's Immaculate Heart, I am,
Sister Mary

