

# Confirmation Candidate & Sponsor Discussion Guide

*Directions: Both the sponsor and candidate should discuss the following questions with one another. This is meant to be a conversation – you do not need to write these answers out. **Instead, the candidate will answer the reflection question at the bottom and email it to Dawn by April 17. Your sponsor does NOT need to hand anything in.***

1. What are your first memories of going to Church?
2. Why be a part of a Church community?
3. What makes you feel involved in your parish?
4. What do you remember about the celebrations of the sacraments in which you have taken part?
5. Why is being Confirmed important to you?
6. Share a story of a time when you have had to trust that God would remain with you no matter what.
7. Jesus' suffering was beyond our imagination. What suffering/difficult things have you confronted lately? How can faith help us in times of suffering?
8. What is your favorite story from the Bible? How might this story teach you something about God's love and presence within your life?
9. What does the word "promise" mean to you? What do you think God promises to us?
10. Share about a time when you felt God's presence in a special way.

## **After talking with your sponsor:**

*Take some time to reflect upon your conversation with your sponsor. Send an email to Dawn(<mailto:dawn.burdick@dor.org>) with the answers to the following questions: What new things did you learn? What is something that you'll remember from this conversation? What questions emerged? Did you find this conversation easy – why/why not? Why did you choose this person to be your sponsor?*