#### Diocese of Scranton

#### **CONFIRMATION QUESTIONS**

#### 1. What is Confirmation?

Confirmation is a sacrament in which the Holy Spirit comes to us in a special way to make us strong and perfect Christians and witnesses of Jesus Christ.

#### 2. What is a Sacrament?

A Sacrament is an outward sign instituted by Christ to give grace.

## 3. How many Sacraments or outward signs are there?

There are seven Sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist (Sacraments of Initiation); Penance (Reconciliation), Anointing of the Sick (Sacraments of Healing); Matrimony, Holy Orders (Sacraments at the Service of Communion).

## 4. Who is the ordinary minister of Confirmation?

The Bishop is the ordinary minister of Confirmation.

# 5. How does the Bishop give Confirmation?

The Bishop extends his hands over those to be confirmed, prays that the Holy Spirit may descend upon them, and anoints the forehead of each with Holy Chrism.

#### 6. What is Holy Chrism?

Holy Chrism is a mixture of olive oil and balm blessed by the Bishop on Holy Thursday or any day during Holy Week.

## 7. What are the Gifts of the Holy Spirit?

The gifts of the Holy Spirit are seven: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety and Fear of The Lord.

- 8. What name are you taking for Confirmation and what does it mean?
- 9. What service project did you perform?
- 10. What does the name of your parish signify?

We belong to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. The heart is the universal symbol for love. The Sacred Heart of Jesus is the ultimate symbol of God's love for us and of our love for God.