# **Confirmation Interview Study Guide**

# **Question/Answer**

# 1. Who is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is God, the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity. (The Spirit is the love between the Father and the Son.)

# 2. When does the Holy Spirit first come to us?

The Spirit first comes to us at Baptism, when we receive sanctifying grace, or God's very life within us.

#### 3. How does the Holy Spirit help us?

The Spirit strengthens us and makes us holy. The Spirit enables us to love, spread, and defend our faith.

#### 4. What is a sacrament?

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

#### 5. What is the sacrament of Confirmation?

The sacrament of Confirmation is the sacrament of initiation that seals what happened at Baptism. Through it, the Spirit and his gifts are strengthened, and we are linked more closely to Christ and the Church.

#### 6. What are the seven sacraments?

Baptism, Penance, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage, Holy Orders, and Anointing of the Sick

# 7. Is the Sacrament of Confirmation necessary? Why?

The Sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of Baptismal grace

#### 8. What are the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit?

Wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord

#### Name and define the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

The gifts of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, right judgment (counsel), knowledge, courage (fortitude), reverence (piety), and wonder and awe (fear of the Lord).

#### Be prepared to recite these three prayers:

OUR FATHER (Lord's Prayer) HAIL MARY GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

#### Be able to List and Explain the 10 Commandments

The Ten Commandments of God are of special importance in teaching specifics of morality. The Old Testament, the New Testament, and the long tradition of the Church testify to this. A summary of the Ten Commandments of God is:

- 1. I, the Lord, am your God. You shall not have other gods besides me.
- 2. You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in vain.
- 3. Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.
- 4. Honor your father and your mother.
- 5. You shall not kill.
- 6. You shall not commit adultery.
- 7. You shall not steal.
- 8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.
- 10. You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

# Be Prepared to Submit your Original Prayer to Father Gregory at the Interview!