Candidate Interview Sample Questions

The confirmation candidate interview should be a conversation, not a quiz or a test. This interview should help the candidate articulate their personal desire for the sacrament and also share where they are in their spiritual life. We *do not* recommend simply "going through the questions" below; they are simply examples of helpful topics and ways of getting this conversation started.

It is perfectly fine if candidates don't have perfect answers or have some misunderstandings about the faith at this stage. This gives the interviewee a great opportunity to work on those things with the candidate in the coming months!

- 1. What does prayer mean to you? How do you pray?
- 2. Do you ever pray as a family at home?
- 3. Is your family able to come to Mass regularly?
- 4. Who is Jesus?
- 5. What can you tell me about the Holy Spirit?
- 6. What are some of the things that you enjoy doing in life? What are you good at?
- 7. What do you like about being Catholic? What do you find challenging about being Catholic?
- 8. What do you like about our parish?
- 9. How are you involved in our parish? What would you like to do or do more in the parish?
- 10. What would you like to learn more about? What questions do you have?
- 11. What do you know about the Sacrament of Confirmation?
- 12. Do you want to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation?

