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- ✚ The Sacrament of Confirmation gives the person extra strength to deal with growing up.
- ✚ The Gifts of the Holy Spirit are made stronger.
- ✚ You will have more courage to face the responsibilities as God's child.
- ✚ More sanctifying grace enters the soul.
- ✚ You have extra power to go out and do good things for God and to speak to others about God.
- ✚ You will learn to use your talents, gifts, and special abilities to help the Church in the world.

- ✚ Remember what happened to the Apostles when they received the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost?





 **What happens at Confirmation?**

 **The outward sign of the sacrament:**


- ❖ **The matter is the laying on of hands (if there is a large number of people, the priest or bishop extends his hands over the group) and the anointing with oil.**
- ❖ **The form are words: "Be sealed with the Holy Spirit" as the minister of the sacrament makes the sign of the cross on the person's forehead.**



 The person being confirmed will choose a sponsor. This person will help the person being confirmed grow as a Christian and be their spiritual friend. At confirmation the sponsor places his or her right hand on the right shoulder as the person is being confirmed.

 The person being confirmed also chooses a confirmation name to remind them of their responsibility as mature Christians. The confirmation name chosen can be the name of a saint or the name given to the person at baptism.

 Who can confirm?

 The ordinary minister of Confirmation is the bishop, but priests can confirm those going through RCIA. Those who have been baptism and made their first communion can be confirmed by a priest with special permission from the bishop.

