

# BEST PRACTICES FOR THE CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

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## INTRODUCTION

1. The United States Bishops have promulgated a revised translation of the *Order of Confirmation*. This 2016 edition is a retranslation of the 1971 *Rite of Confirmation*; it follows the guidelines of *Liturgiam Authenticam* (2001) and the revisions to the *Roman Missal*, third edition (2011). While substantive changes are few, the publication of the new translation offers an opportunity to review and assess diocesan celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation. The pastoral recommendations which follow are based on current liturgical texts and are designed to assist dioceses and parishes in the authentic celebration of the sacrament.

## THEOLOGICAL PRINCIPLES

### CONFIRMATION AS A SACRAMENT OF INITIATION

2. Confirmation is a sacrament of Initiation. It is the Church's desire that "the intimate connection which this sacrament has with the whole of Christian Initiation be more clearly set forth."<sup>1</sup> The following recommendations suggest how to strengthen the link between Confirmation and the other sacraments of initiation, namely, Baptism and Eucharist.
3. The *Order of Confirmation* is frequently celebrated apart from the other sacraments of initiation with youth or adults who were baptized as infants. The Bishop, as the ordinary minister of Confirmation, or his delegate, presides at these parish celebrations. This document will primarily address this pastoral situation.
4. The diocesan Bishop may establish norms for the celebration of Confirmation and may allow certain local customs and practices. These norms and customs are typically communicated by the appropriate diocesan office.

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<sup>1</sup> "Confirmation is understood in continuity with Baptism, to which it is connected in an inseparable way. These two Sacraments, together with the Eucharist, make up one salvific event - "Christian initiation" - with which we are inserted in Jesus Christ dead and risen and become new creatures and members of the Church" (Pope Francis, *General Audience*, January 29, 2014). See also *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* 71.

## SCHEDULING THE CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION

5. Dependent on the Bishop's schedule, Confirmation should be celebrated "on the day of sacrament, the 'pre-eminent'"<sup>2</sup> day of the liturgical assembly, the day of the Christian family, and the day of joy - Sunday, preferably a Sunday of Easter.<sup>3</sup> The gathering with the believing community on Sunday is the key formative experience in the initiation journey.<sup>4</sup> Catholic sacramental theology understands the sacraments as celebrations of the entire Christian community and sees Sunday as the day when the community comes together as Christians to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection. Sacraments are ecclesial events that involve the entire community in addition to immediate family and friends.
6. The mystery of Christ unfolds through the liturgical year. At the center of the year is the celebration of the Paschal Mystery of the Lord and the renewal of baptismal promises at Easter. The initiation of children into sacramental life should follow this pattern and be supported by its themes and spirit.<sup>5</sup> Since Lent is seen as a time for the preparation for the celebration of Baptism, it is not the ideal time for Confirmation. When it is celebrated during Lent, the penitential nature of the season should be taken into consideration. In some dioceses, the Bishop's schedule may limit celebrations during Easter Time. Consider other alternatives, such as, celebrating Confirmation with several parishes together.
7. "As a rule, Confirmation takes place within Mass so that the fundamental connection of this Sacrament with all of Christian Initiation, which reaches its culmination in the Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, may stand out in a clearer light. The newly confirmed therefore participate in the Eucharist, which completes their Christian Initiation. If, however, the candidates for Confirmation are children who have not received the Most Holy Eucharist and are not being admitted to First Communion at this liturgical celebration or if other special circumstances so suggest, Confirmation should be conferred outside Mass."<sup>6</sup> In the dioceses of the United States, however, the *National Statutes for the Catechumenate* dictate that the sacraments of initiation should be conferred at the same celebration.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> See *Catechism of the Catholic Church* 1167.

<sup>3</sup> *Paschale Solemnitatis: Circular Letter Concerning the Preparation and Celebration of the Paschal Feasts* 103.

<sup>4</sup> "The Sunday event, with its physical movements, gestures, ritual actions and euchology, will be regarded as symbolization, an act and not an idea. The doing is symbolic." See Louis-Marie Chauvet, *The Sacraments: The Word of God at the Mercy of the Body* (Collegeville: The Liturgical Press, 2001), 85.

<sup>5</sup> See *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*, #1, #17, and #18.

<sup>6</sup> *Order of Confirmation* (OC), #13.

<sup>7</sup> USCCB: *National Statutes for the Catechumenate* #14, 18, 19, 22, 23, 35; *Canons* 842.2, 852, 866, 851.

# LITURGICAL PRINCIPLES

## PREPARATION OF THE CANDIDATES AND THE ASSEMBLY

8. The *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* states, “Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that fully conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy. Such participation by the Christian people as “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a redeemed people (1 Pet. 2:9; cf. 2:4-5), is their right and duty by reason of their baptism”<sup>8</sup> (#14). The Mass should be arranged in such a way that the faithful may participate fully in its celebration in a conscious and active way. This is both their baptismal responsibility and their right. In arranging the celebration, forms and elements should be chosen that “more effectively foster the active and full participation” of the people and respond to their spiritual needs.<sup>9</sup> This is true, in particular, for the candidates and their parents. Every effort should be made to celebrate this rite with noble simplicity, a fundamental principle for all liturgical celebrations. The candidates’ participation will be increased if they have been involved in the preparation of the liturgy.
9. Candidates should receive appropriate liturgical catechesis. There are two forms of liturgical catechesis. One is catechesis *through* liturgy; the other is catechesis *for* liturgy. In the former, the liturgy itself is the basis of catechesis. In the latter, the preparation of the people for participation in the liturgy occurs outside the liturgical context. Therefore, liturgical catechesis should include a breaking open of the Scriptures that will be proclaimed at the celebration of Confirmation and a discussion of the ritual actions, especially the renewal of the baptismal promises, the imposition of hands and the anointing with Sacred Chrism. Candidates should not be strangers or silent spectators at the liturgical rites.<sup>10</sup>
10. Before the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation, it is of great importance that parents, “moved by their own faith or with the help of friends or other members of the community, should prepare to take part in the rite with understanding.”<sup>11</sup> Before the celebration, a brief musical rehearsal (followed by an invitation to silence), can help facilitate the assembly’s participation.

## BAPTISMAL IMAGERY AND SYMBOLS

11. Symbols and ritual actions are the language of the faith and of the Church’s prayer. The liturgical rites of the Church utilize signs and symbols. Attention to symbols will gradually open minds and hearts to the inexhaustible mystery of Christ. The generous

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<sup>8</sup> Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, *Sacrosanctum Concilium* #14

<sup>9</sup> *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* 20.

<sup>10</sup> CSL 48.

<sup>11</sup> *Rite of Baptism for Children* 5.1.

use of symbols, such as the abundant use of Sacred Chrism, better engages the senses. Since Baptism is the gateway to all other sacraments, catechesis could explore such symbols and imagery. Attention to visual elements should be given great prominence in both pre-ritual catechesis and in the celebration of the sacrament.

## LITURGICAL MUSIC

12. The 2007 document of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops, *Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship*, offers guidelines for selecting music for liturgy. Paragraphs 137-199 are especially helpful and should be reviewed when preparing the celebration of Confirmation.

13. Music should be appropriate to the liturgical season as well as the sacrament of Confirmation. It should be familiar to the assembly. Musical selections from Pentecost Sunday are appropriate, as are those with themes of discipleship, ministry, mission, and the Christian life. The thematic index in the parish hymnal can be of assistance. See Appendix C for musical suggestions.

14. A worship aid or booklet helps the assembly follow the liturgy and participate in it. A worship aid might include:

- an outline of the service (utilizing correct headings, typefaces and spacing);
- the words and music to those parts which the assembly is expected to sing or say;
- directions for posture (e.g., sit, stand, kneel);
- brief explanations of those parts which may not be familiar to the assembly.

The worship aid should have an attractive appearance which contributes to the beauty of the celebration. It should not include the texts of the prayers and Scripture readings which the ministers alone will say, unless they are proclaimed in multiple languages.

## COPYRIGHTS

15. Hymn texts, music and liturgical texts are protected under copyright laws. Copyrighted words and music cannot be modified without the permission of the copyright holder. Copyright laws should be honored at all times.

16. The specific formatting of copyright acknowledgements for worship aids and programs are directed by the company which grants the license. This text usually indicates that the music is being copied with permission. With each song, the author of the text, the composer of the tune, and the copyright owner is to be acknowledged. You can determine a uniform style for your worship aid. However, the title must always appear above the song; the rest of the information may appear below it. Reprint license numbers may appear in the acknowledgement section of the worship aid or beneath each song. At the back of most hymnals / song books, there is an acknowledgements section listing additional copyright information.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

17. Confirmation candidates should not serve as liturgical ministers. Trained parish servers, readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion should fulfill these roles.

## USE OF THE BAPTISMAL NAME

18. In keeping with the reforms of the Second Vatican Council, which emphasized the connection between Baptism and Confirmation, candidates should be encouraged to use their *baptismal* name when being confirmed. Ideally, the baptismal name is the name used at Confirmation, since the use of the baptismal name emphasizes the continuity of the sacraments of initiation. Neither the *Order of Confirmation* nor the *Code of Canon Law* make mention of taking a new name.

## THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

19. Inspired by the scrutinies of the RCIA, Confirmation candidates should be encouraged to examine their sins and take note of anything that keeps them from living a life in harmony with the Gospel.<sup>12</sup> Parish staffs might supply reflections to help the candidates examine their consciences as they prepare for the sacrament of Penance.

## PROPER ATTIRE

20. The *Order of Confirmation* makes no reference to the dress of the candidates. However, clothing that is dignified and modest is suitable. Where the use of confirmation robes is a custom, or seems to be pastorally advisable, a white baptismal garment is more suitable than a colored graduation gown. Stoles or anything resembling clerical vesture is prohibited.

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<sup>12</sup> The celebration of the Scrutinies is more than a ritual requirement for initiation. "The Scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. For the Scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth and the life." *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* 141.

# CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

21. The purpose of the Introductory Rites of the Mass is “to ensure that the faithful who come together as one establish communion and dispose themselves to listen properly to God’s word and to celebrate the Eucharist worthily.”<sup>13</sup>

### PROCESSION

22. The candidates (and their sponsors) may enter in the entrance procession before the ministers or, because they are members of the assembly, they may be seated in advance.

### RITE FOR THE BLESSING AND SPRINKLING OF WATER

23. The baptism of all may be called to mind by the sprinkling with blessed water in place of the Penitential Act.<sup>14</sup> Many Bishops have extended the use of the “Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water” beyond celebrations on Sunday. Some diocesan Bishops have made its use normative at Confirmation celebrations in their diocese, in proper season.

### THE GLORIA

24. The *Roman Missal*, third edition introduced a new rubric for Ritual Masses, including the Ritual Mass of Confirmation. “These Masses are all treated as if they were Feasts, and the Gloria is used...Thus for example Masses for Confirmation, Holy Orders, or Marriage would include a Gloria, even when they occur on weekdays of Advent or Lent. It should be noted, though, that Ritual Masses are prohibited on Sundays of Advent and Lent.”<sup>15</sup> (See appendix A of this resource.)

25. Since singing is one of the primary ways that the assembly of the faithful participates actively in the Liturgy, the Gloria should be sung. “While through-composed settings of the Gloria give clearest expression to the text, the addition of refrains is permitted, provided the refrain encourages congregational participation.”<sup>16</sup>

26. The Gloria is not used when Confirmation takes place outside Mass.

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<sup>13</sup> GIRM 46.

<sup>14</sup> The *Roman Missal*, third edition, adds a footnote to the Penitential Act directing one to Appendix II, “Rite for the Blessing and Sprinkling of Water.”

<sup>15</sup> USCCB Committee on Divine Worship Newsletter, Vol. XLVIII, January 2012, “Seven Questions on Implementing the New Roman Missal.”

<sup>16</sup> Sing to the Lord: Music in Divine Worship, 149

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

27. The Liturgy of the Word is celebrated in accord with the rubrics. At the table of the Word, the baptized Christian “feasts on every word that comes from the mouth of God.”<sup>17</sup> The assembly is invited to active listening, which is dialogical in nature, that is, listening and responding to God’s call.

### CHOICE OF READINGS

28. The readings may be taken in whole or in part from the Mass of the day or from the texts for Confirmation in the *Lectionary for Mass* (nos. 763-767). See Appendix B for a list of scriptural citations from the *Order of Confirmation*.

29. Parish readers should exercise this ministry rather than one of the confirmandi. The readings should be proclaimed from the *Lectionary for Mass* and never from loose sheets or a missalette.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

30. The Responsorial Psalm should be led by a parish psalmist or cantor and proclaimed from the ambo.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

31. The Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia) is generally sung. During Lent, the alleluia is replaced by one of the Lenten acclamations. When the Gospel Acclamation is not sung, it may be omitted.<sup>18</sup>

## THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION

### PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

32. After the gospel, the pastor, another Priest, a Deacon, or a catechist, depending on the local custom, presents the candidates. “If possible, each of those to be confirmed is called by name and individually approaches the sanctuary.”<sup>19</sup>

33. If it is not possible to call the names of all the candidates, each sponsor presents the candidate as he/she approaches the Bishop.<sup>20</sup> “The candidates for Confirmation are presented by the Pastor or another Priest, or by a Deacon, or even by a catechist, in accordance with the custom of each region, in this way: if possible, each of those to be

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<sup>17</sup> Deuteronomy 8:3.

<sup>18</sup> GIRM 63c.

<sup>19</sup> OC 21.

<sup>20</sup> OC 26.

confirmed is called by name and individually approaches the sanctuary; but if they are children, they are accompanied by one of their sponsors or parents and stand before the celebrant. If there are very many candidates, they are not called by name; but they are assigned to a suitable place before the Bishop.”<sup>21</sup>

### **THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES**

34. After the homily, those who are to receive Confirmation are asked to call to mind the faith which was professed in Baptism by parents and godparents in the community of the Church, by renewing their baptismal promises.<sup>22</sup> The candidates have been awakened in faith, have petitioned God in their unbelief and are ready to confess faith.<sup>23</sup> The symbol of faith is first and foremost the baptismal creed. For the affirmation of Baptismal faith the candidates stand before the Bishop. The text of the renewal of baptismal promises in the *Order of Confirmation* echoes the text used at the Easter Vigil.

### **THE LAYING ON OF HANDS**

35. Saint Paul VI wrote that “The sacrament of Confirmation is conferred through the anointing with chrism on the forehead, which is done by the laying on of the hand, and through the words: “Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.”<sup>24</sup>

36. Saint Paul VI added that “... the laying of hands over the elect, carried out with the prescribed prayer before the anointing with Chrism, [at OC #25] even if it is not of the essence of the sacramental rite, is still to be regarded as very important, inasmuch as it contributes to the complete perfection of the rite and to a more thorough understanding of the Sacrament. It is evident that this prior laying on of hands differs from the later laying on of the hand in the anointing with Chrism on the forehead.”

37. The first “laying on of hands” (OC 25), is accompanied by the prayer which invokes the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. When there is a large number of candidates, the presider extends his hands over all the candidates. When only a few are confirmed, it may be possible for the Bishop to lay hands on each of the candidates individually.<sup>25</sup> Those Priests who are assisting with the anointing “join the Bishop in the laying of hands on all the candidates.”<sup>26</sup>

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<sup>21</sup> OC 21

<sup>22</sup> OC 22

<sup>23</sup> See Mark 9:14-29.

<sup>24</sup> OC, p. xxv, Paul VI, *Apostolic Constitution* (1971). See also, OC 9.

<sup>25</sup> Godfrey Diekmann, OSB stated, “The gesture of ritually laying hands on someone is the gesture of touch *per eminentiam*, its clearest and most potent expression. It signifies that the communication of numen, of the life-force or of divine power, is deliberately willed and directed. It is such a power-laden gesture that it effects what it signifies.” From “The Laying on of Hands: The Basic Sacramental Rite” from *Proceedings of the Twenty-ninth Annual Convention of the Catholic Theological Society of America*, Chicago, Illinois. June 10-13, 1974.

<sup>26</sup> See OC 9, 25. See also OC 8 for a list of those whom the Bishop may associate with himself as ministers of the sacrament.



## THE ANOINTING WITH CHRISM

38. At Confirmation, the forehead is signed with Sacred Chrism. The sacramental symbol of anointing is more effective when a generous quantity of the fragrant oil is used so that the candidates may see, feel, and smell it. The words that accompany the anointing, “Be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit” and “Peace be with you”<sup>27</sup> should also be audible to the assembly.
39. During the anointing a suitable chant may be sung.<sup>28</sup> If there are a large number of candidates being confirmed, a combination of hymns, psalms, choral and/or instrumental music could be utilized. The traditional chant *Veni, Creator Spiritus* could be sung.<sup>29</sup>

A period of silence during the Anointing with Chrism will allow the assembly to hear the dialogue between the Bishop and the candidates.

## THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

40. The Liturgy of Confirmation concludes with the Universal Prayer, which consists of three parts, namely:
- the invitation to prayer by the presider;
  - the petitions announced by a minister, with the response of the assembly;
  - a concluding prayer by the presider.
- The structure of the Universal Prayer should follow the form that is given in the *Order of Confirmation* #30.
41. The announcement of the petitions ordinarily belongs to a Deacon. In the absence of a Deacon another suitable, well-trained minister announces the petitions. In all cases, it is desirable that only one person announce the petitions.
42. “Because it has the structure of a litany, and provided that it can be understood when sung, it is appropriate to sing the Universal Prayer, or just the invitation and response, or even the response only.”<sup>30</sup>
43. When Confirmation is celebrated within Mass, the Liturgy of the Eucharist follows. On those rare occasions when Confirmation is celebrated outside Mass, the Liturgy continues with the Lord’s Prayer and Blessing or the Prayer over the People.

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<sup>27</sup> OC 27.

<sup>28</sup> OC 29.

<sup>29</sup> STL 214.

<sup>30</sup> STL 171.

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

44. "It is desirable that the participation of the faithful be expressed by an offering, whether of bread and wine for the celebration of the Eucharist or of other gifts to relieve the needs of the Church and of the poor."<sup>31</sup> The gift bearers may be selected from among the newly confirmed.<sup>32</sup>

### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

45. During Eucharistic Prayers I, II, and III the proper embolism for the newly confirmed is added.

When the Roman Canon is used, the proper form of the *Hanc igitur* (Therefore, Lord, we pray) is said:

Therefore, Lord, we pray:  
graciously accept this oblation of our service,  
that of your whole family,  
which we offer you  
also for those reborn in Baptism,  
whom you have been pleased to confirm  
by bestowing the Holy Spirit,  
and in your mercy, keep safe in them your grace.  
(Through Christ our Lord. Amen.)

When Eucharistic Prayer II is used, after the words and all the clergy, the following is added:

Remember also, Lord, your servants  
whom you have been pleased to confirm today  
by bestowing the Holy Spirit,  
and keep them in your grace.

When Eucharistic Prayer III is used, after the words the entire people you have gained for your own, the following is added:

Remember also, Lord,  
your servants reborn in Baptism  
whom you have been pleased to confirm  
by bestowing the Holy Spirit,  
and in your mercy, keep safe in them your grace.<sup>33</sup>

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<sup>31</sup> GIRM 140 and CB 145

<sup>32</sup> See RCIA 241. See also, OC 31,b, p. 35, "Some of the confirmed may join those who bring forward the offerings."

<sup>33</sup> See the *Roman Missal*, Ritual Mass 4. For the Conferral of Confirmation – A, or OC 58.

## THE COMMUNION RITE

46. Eucharist is the celebration of the new and everlasting covenant borne in baptism. It is here at the Lord's table, where God's people find nourishment and strength and are gathered into a Church, one and holy.<sup>34</sup> At the celebration of the *Order of Confirmation* within Mass, Holy Communion under both forms is desired, since it better follows Christ's commands at the Last Supper to "take and eat ... take and drink."<sup>35</sup>
47. During the distribution of Holy Communion, the unity of the community is made manifest in the Communion procession.
- The music begins when the Bishop (or Priest) receives the Eucharist and continues for as long as the Eucharist is being distributed<sup>36</sup>;
  - Communion songs with easily memorized refrains or sung in the style of a responsorial psalm are most effective<sup>37</sup>;
  - If a song is to follow the Communion distribution, that song should be sung by the entire congregation, rather than by a soloist or by the choir alone<sup>38</sup>.
48. "It is most desirable that the faithful, just as the Priest himself is bound to do, receive the Lord's Body from hosts consecrated at the same Mass and that, they partake of the chalice, so that even by means of the signs Communion will stand out more clearly as a participation in the sacrifice actually being celebrated."<sup>39</sup>

## BLESSING

49. The *Roman Missal* and the *Order of Confirmation* give the option of using a Solemn Blessing or a Prayer over the People. The Deacon or, in his absence, the presider himself, says the invitation: "Bow down for the blessing."<sup>40</sup>

Solemn Blessing at the End of Mass

*The Bishop, with hands extended over the newly confirmed, says:*

May God the Father almighty bless you,  
whom he has made his adopted sons and daughters  
reborn from water and the Holy Spirit,  
and may he keep you worthy of his fatherly love.  
R. Amen.

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<sup>34</sup> See the *Rites of Dedication of An Altar*, the "Prayer of Dedication" and preface for the "Dedication of an Altar."

<sup>35</sup> CB 470; see also GIRM 281.

<sup>36</sup> STL 189.

<sup>37</sup> STL 192.

<sup>38</sup> STL 196.

<sup>39</sup> GIRM 85

<sup>40</sup> OC 33

May his Only Begotten Son,  
who promised that the Spirit of truth would abide in his Church,  
bless you and confirm you by his power  
in the confession of the true faith.  
R. Amen.

May the Holy Spirit,  
who kindles the fire of charity in the hearts of disciples,  
bless you and lead you blameless and gathered as one  
into the joy of the Kingdom of God.  
R. Amen.

And he blesses all the people, adding:

And may almighty God bless all of you, who are gathered here,  
the Father, ✠ and the Son, ✠ and the Holy ✠ Spirit.  
R. Amen.

Or:  
PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

The Bishop, with hands extended over the newly confirmed and the people, says:

Confirm, O God,  
what you have brought about in us,  
and preserve in the hearts of your faithful  
the gifts of the Holy Spirit:  
may they never be ashamed  
to confess Christ crucified before the world  
and by devoted charity  
may they ever fulfill his commands.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
R. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, ✠ and the Son, ✠ and the Holy ✠ Spirit,  
come down on you and remain with you for ever.  
R. Amen.

## RECESSIONAL

50. The newly confirmed may leave in the recession. They may either precede the ministers of the Mass or follow the Bishop. This recession is much more than a signal that the Mass has ended. The newly confirmed are sent as beloved disciples of Jesus and servants of the Gospel, bringing the Good News into all the strata of humanity.<sup>41</sup> Gathered together by the word of life and strengthened by the sacrament of love we are sent, workers into the great harvest that the Gospel may be preached to every creature.<sup>42</sup>

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<sup>41</sup> See GIRM 90c and *Evangelii nuntiandi* (Evangelization in the Modern World) 18.

<sup>42</sup> "Sacramental faith celebrated is not an end but a beginning. It is never merely intellectual reasoning. Faith seeks understanding. Understanding is the ability to apply and transfer knowledge. Faith seeking understanding shifts from rational reflection to pondering, meditation and contemplation leading to transformation and courageous action." Sr. Sandy DeMasi, D.Min., Dissertation: *The Faith and Formation of Adults Who Bring their Children for Baptism: A Plan of Liturgy and Catechesis*.

## CONCLUSION

51. Confirmation enriches the baptized with the strength of the Holy Spirit so that they can bear witness to Christ in word and deed. Anointed by the Holy Spirit at confirmation, Christians strengthen their bond with the Church and become better equipped to carry out the Church's mission of love and service. We hope these Pastoral Recommendations are helpful as you prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation worthily and well.

## Appendix A

*What follows is a chronological list of the days on which a Ritual Mass may not be used.  
If a celebration of confirmation is permitted on that day, the Mass texts for the day are used.*

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### ADVENT SEASON

First Sunday of Advent  
Second Sunday of Advent  
Immaculate Conception of the BVM (December 8)  
Third Sunday of Advent  
Fourth Sunday of Advent

### CHRISTMAS SEASON

The Nativity of the Lord/Christmas (December 25)  
Mary, the Holy Mother of God (January 1)  
Epiphany of the Lord

### LENTEN SEASON

Ash Wednesday  
First Sunday of Lent  
Second Sunday of Lent  
Third Sunday of Lent  
Fourth Sunday of Lent  
Fifth Sunday of Lent  
St. Joseph, Spouse of the BVM (March 19)  
Annunciation of the Lord (March 25 or other)  
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
Monday of Holy Week  
Tuesday of Holy Week  
Wednesday of Holy Week  
Thursday of Holy Week (day)

### THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday  
Friday of the Passion of the Lord/ Good Friday  
Holy Saturday  
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night  
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord: Mass during the Day

### EASTER SEASON

Monday within the Octave of Easter  
Tuesday within the Octave of Easter  
Wednesday within the Octave of Easter  
Thursday within the Octave of Easter  
Friday within the Octave of Easter  
Saturday within the Octave of Easter  
Second Sunday of Easter/ Sunday of Divine Mercy

Third Sunday of Easter  
Fourth Sunday of Easter  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Ascension of the Lord  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
Pentecost Sunday

Solemnities in Ordinary Time

The Most Holy Trinity  
The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ  
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus  
Nativity of John the Baptist (June 24)  
Sts. Peter and Paul (June 29)  
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 15)  
All Saints (November 1)  
All Souls (November 2)  
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

## Appendix B

### Scripture Readings

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*If Confirmation is being celebrated at a regularly-scheduled parish Mass of precept (see appendix A), the readings of the day must be used. The first reading is taken from the Old Testament. The second reading is taken from the New Testament. During Easter Time, the first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles and the second reading is taken from one of the letters of the New Testament..*

#### READINGS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT (*Lectionary for Mass, no. 764*)

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1. Isaiah 11:1-4ab *The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him.*
2. Isaiah 42:1-3 *Here is my servant upon whom I have put my Spirit.*
3. Isaiah 61:1-3abcd, 6ab, 8c-9 *The Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly and to give them the oil of gladness.*
4. Ezekiel 36:24-28 *I will put a new spirit within you.*
5. Joel 2:23a, 26—3:1-3a *I will pour out my Spirit upon the servants and handmaids.*

#### READINGS FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT (*Lectionary for Mass, no. 765*)

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1. Acts 1:3-8 *You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses.*
2. Acts 2:1-6, 14, 22b-23, 32-33 *All were filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in different tongues.*
3. Acts 8:1bc, 4, 14-17 *They laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.*
4. Acts 10:1, 33-34a, 37-44 *The Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were listening to the word.*
5. Acts 19:1b-6a *Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?*
6. Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 *The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*
7. Romans 8:14-17 *The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.*
8. Romans 8:26-27 *The Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings.*
9. 1 Corinthians 12:4-13 *But one and the same Spirit produces all these gifts, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.*



10. Galatians 5:16-17, 22-23a,  
24-25 *If we live in the Spirit, let us also follow the Spirit.*
11. Ephesians 1:3a, 4a, 13-19a *You were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit.*
12. Ephesians 4:1-6 *One Body and one Spirit, one baptism.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALMS** *(Lectionary for Mass, no. 766)*

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1. Psalm 22:23-24ab, 26-27, 28  
and 31-32 R. (23) I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters.  
or:  
R. (Jn 15:26-27) When the Holy Spirit comes to you,  
you will be my witnesses.
2. Psalm 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
3. Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 9-10a,  
11-12 R. (3) Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.
4. Psalm 104:1ab and 24, 27-28,  
30-31, 33-34 R. (30) Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the  
earth.
5. Psalm 117:1bc, 2 R. (Acts 1:8) You will be my witnesses to all the world.  
or:  
R. Alleluia.
6. Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 8-9, 10-11,  
15-16, 21 R. (1b) I will praise your name for ever, Lord.

**ALLELUIA VERSES AND VERSES BEFORE THE GOSPEL** *(Lectionary for Mass, no. 767)*

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1. John 14:16 I will ask the Father and he will give you another  
Advocate to be with you always.
2. John 15:26b, 27a The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord;  
and you also will testify.
3. John 16:13a; 14:26b When the Spirit of truth comes,  
he will guide you to all truth  
and remind you of all I told you.
4. Revelation 1:5a, 6a Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness, firstborn from  
the dead; / you have made us a kingdom of priests to serve  
our God and Father.

5. Come, Holy Spirit; shine on us the radiance of your light.
6. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

GOSPEL READINGS (*Lectionary for Mass, no. 768*)

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1. Matthew 5:1-12a *Theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.*
2. Matthew 16:24-27 *Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.*
3. Matthew 25:14-30 *Since you were faithful in small matters, come,  
share your master's joy.*
4. Mark 1:9-11 *Jesus saw the Spirit descending upon him.*
5. Luke 4:16-22a *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.*
6. Luke 8:4-10a, 11b-15 *The seed that fell on rich soil: they are the ones who,  
when they have heard the word, bear fruit through  
perseverance.*
7. Luke 10:21-24 *I give you praise, Father, for you have revealed  
hidden things to the childlike.*
8. John 7:37b-39 *Rivers of living water will flow.*
9. John 14:15-17 *The Spirit of truth will remain with you.*
10. John 14:23-26 *The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.*
11. John 15:18-21, 26-27 *When the Spirit of truth that proceeds from the  
Father comes, he will testify to me.*
12. John 16:5-7, 12-13a *The Spirit of truth will guide you to all truth.*

## Appendix C: Musical Suggestions

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ENGLISH HYMNS	TEXT	TUNE	PUBLISHER	HYMNAL
A Great Cloud of Witnesses	Marty Haugen	Marty Haugen	GIA	RS
Anointing, Fall on Me	Donn Thomas	Donn Thomas	New Spring	VAO2
Anthem	Tom Conry	Tom Conry	OCP	BB, JS
Arise, O Spirit	Paul Nienaber, SJ	Steven Janco	WLP	OIF
Be Present, Spirit of the Lord	Timothy D. Smith	REPTON	Hope	RS
Beatitudes	Darryl Ducote	Darryl Ducote	OCP	BB
Blessed Be God, Who Chose You in Christ	James Chepponis	James Chepponis	GIA	RS, W
Blest Are They	David Haas	David Haas	GIA	G, BB
By the Waking of Our Hearts	Ricky Manalo, CSP	Ricky Manalo, CSP	OCP	RS, BB, JS
Called by Christ	Ruth Duck	Kate Cuddy	GIA	G
Center of My Life	Paul Inwood	Paul Inwood	OCP	RS, G, BB, JS
Christ Has No Body Now But Yours	Steven Warner	Steven Warner	WLP	RS, G, OIF
Christ in Me Arise	Trevor Thomson	Trevor Thomson	OCP	RS, BB
Christ, You Formed the Church, Your Body	Herman Stuempfle	FORTUNATUS NEW, Carl Schalk	GIA	W
Church of God, Elect and Glorious	J. E. Seddon	ABBOT'S LEIGH, IN BABILONE, HYFRYDOL	Hope	W, OIF, BB, JS
City of God	Dan Schutte	Dan Schutte	OCP	RS, G, OIF, BB, JS
Come and Be Sealed	Tony Alonso	Tony Alonso	GIA	RS
Come Down, O Love Divine	Ralph Vaughan Williams	DOWN AMPNEY	Public Domain	RS, G, W, OIF, JS
Come Just As You Are	Joseph Sabolick	Joseph Sabolick	Maranatha Praise	VAO2
Come, Follow Me	Gael Berberick and Barney Walker	Gael Berberick and Barney Walker	OCP	BB
Come, Holy Ghost	Louis Lambillotte, SJ	LAMBILLOTTE	Public Domain	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS
Come, Holy Ghost	Rabanus Maurus, trans. E.Caswell	LAMBILLOTTE, Sarah Hart and Kevin Hipp	OCP	SS
Come, Holy Spirit	John Angotti	John Angotti	WLP	OIF, VAO2
Come, Holy Spirit	Veni, Sancte Spiritus, adp.by Stephen Dean	Stephen Dean	OCP	JS
Come, Holy Spirit	Tom Booth	Tom Booth	OCP	SS
Come, Holy Spirit, on Us Shine	Innocent III, trans. by Jerome Siwek	O FILII ET FILIAE	WLP	RS, OIF
Come, Holy Spirit, Wind and Fire	Alan Hommerding	ST. CATHERINE	WLP	OIF
Come, O Holy Spirit	Veni, Sancte Spiritus adapt. Owen Alstott	HYMN TO JOY	OCP	BB, JS
Come, O Holy Spirit, Come	Veni, Sancte Spiritus	Randall DeBruyn	OCP	JS
Covenant Hymn	Rory Cooney	Gary Daigle	GIA	RS, G
Creator Spirit, by Whose Aid	Rabanus Maurus	LASST UNS ERFREUEN	Public Domain	BB, JS
Creator Spirit, Lord of Grace	Rabanus Maurus, trans. by James Quinn	VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS	GIA	OIF
Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether	Percy Dreamer	UNION SEMINARY	Oxford Univ Press, Chalice Press	RS, W, OIF
Enter the Journey	Mark Friedman and Janet Vogt	Mark Friedman and Janet Vogt	OCP	BB
Fire of God, Undying Flame	Albert Bayly	NUN KOMM DER HEIDEN HEILAND	Oxford University Press	W
Fish with Me	Ken Canedo	Ken Canedo	OCP	SS
Flowing River	Rita Baloche	Rita Baloche	Integrity's Music	VAO2
For the Faithful Who Have Answered	Sylvia Dunstan	PLEADING SAVIOR	GIA	RS, G

For the Life of the World Give Glory	David Haas Jacob Israel Villalobos, Matthew Leon, Michael Paul Leon	David Haas Jacob Israel Villalobos, Matthew Leon, Michael Paul Leon	GIA WLP	G OIF
Glorify the Lord by Our Lives Go Go Forth in Peace Go Make a Difference	Adam Tice Leon Patillo Delores Dufner, OSB Steve Angrisano, Tom Tomaszek	AIKENHEAD Leon Patillo EDGBASTON Steve Angrisano, Tom Tomaszek	GIA Word Music WLP OCP	RS OIF OIF G, BB, JS, SS, VAO2
Go Out in the World Go Out to the World Go Out, Go Out Go to the World! Go Ye Out Go, Be Justice Go, Make of All Disciples	Ed Bolduc Chris da Silva Curtis Stephan Sylvia Dunstan Tom Booth Martin Willett Leon Adkins	Ed Bolduc Chris da Silva Curtis Stephan SINE NOMINE Tom Booth NETTLETON ELLACOMBE	WLP GIA OCP GIA OCP WLP Abington Press OCP	OIF, VAO2 G, RS SS RS, G, W SS OIF RS, G, OIF, BB, JS RS, G, W, BB, JS
God Has Chosen Me	Bernadette Farrell	Bernadette Farrell	OCP	RS, G, W, BB, JS
God Sends Us Forth Hail Thee, Festival Day! Here I Am, God Here I Am, Lord	Tony Alonso Venantius Fortunatus Julie Howard Dan Schutte	GAILHAC SALVE FESTA DIES Julie Howard Dan Schutte	GIA Public Domain WLP OCP	RS, G RS, W, OIF, JS OIF RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS, SS
Here I Am, Lord Holy Spirit Holy Spirit	Michael Philip Ward Ken Canedo Marianne Missetich, SNJM	Michael Philip Ward Ken Canedo Marianne Missetich, SNJM	WLP OCP OCP	OIF BB, JS, SS BB
Holy Spirit, Come Now Holy Spirit, Come to Us	Jesse Manibusan Jacques Berthier, Taizé	Jesse Manibusan Jacques Berthier, Taizé	OCP GIA	JS, SS RS, G, W
Holy Spirit, Lord Divine Holy Spirit, Lord Divine/Sequence for Pentecost	Veni Sancte Spiritus Innocent III, trans. by Peter Scagnelli and Edward Caswall	WEBBE VENI SANCTE SPIRITUS	Public Domain WLP	W, OIF
I Am the Light of the World I Have Been Anointed I Send You Out	Greg Hayakawa Steven Warner John Angotti	Greg Hayakawa Steven Warner John Angotti	OCP WLP WLP	BB, JS OIF, VAO1 G, OIF, SS, VAO2
I Will Be the Vine I Will Choose Christ Into Our Hearts, O Spirit, Come	Liam Lawton Tom Both Michael Gannon	Liam Lawton Tom Booth LOBT GOT DEN HERREN	GIA OCP WLP	RS, G BB, JS, SS OIF
Laudate, Laudate Dominum Laus Tibi Sancte Spiritus/O Holy Spirit, Flowing Light Lay Down That Spirit Lead Me, Lord Let the Fire Fall	Christopher Walker Mary Louise Bringle  Joe Mattingly John Becker George Misulia	Christopher Walker O FILII ET FILIAE  Joe Mattingly John Becker George Misulia	OCP GIA  WLP OCP George Misulia	RS, G, BB, JS W  VAO1 BB, JS, SS VAO1
Lift High the Cross	George Kitchin, Michael Newbolt	CRUCIFER	Hope	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS
Litany of the Saints Litany of the Saints	John Becker Roman Missal	John Becker Roman Missal	OCP ICEL	BB, JS RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS
Living Spirit, Holy Fire Lord, Help Us Walk Your Servant Way Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service	Ruth Duck Herman Stuempfle Albert Bayly	HOLY FIRE, Lori True CHRISTIAN LOVE BEACH SPRING, IN BABILONE, HOLY MANNA ABBOT'S LEIGH	GIA GIA/WLP Oxford University Press Hope	G, W RS, W RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS
Lord, You Give the Great Commission	Jeffrey Rowthorn	ABBOT'S LEIGH	Hope	W, OIF, BB, JS

Make Us True Servants	Susan Wente	Susan Wente	WLP	OIF
Moved by the Gospel, Let Us Move	Ruth Duck	KINGSFOLD	GIA	RS
Now Is the Time	Tom Kendzia	Tom Kendzia	OCP	BB
Now We Remain	David Haas	David Haas	GIA	RS, G, W, OIF, BB
O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God	Edwin Hatch	ST. COLUMBA	Public Domain	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS
O Holy Spirit, by Whose Breath	Rabanus Maurus, trans. James Quinn	VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS	GIA	RS, G, W, OIF
O Holy Spirit, Enter In	Michael Schirmer, trans. Catherine Winkworth	WIE SCHON LEUCHTET	WLP	OIF
O Spirit All-Embracing	Delores Dufner, OSB	THAXTED	GIA	RS, G, W
One is the Body	John Bell	PEACOCK, John Bell	GIA	W
One Lord	Scott Soper	Scott Soper	OCP	BB
One Lord	Lori True	Lori True	GIA	RS
One Spirit, One Church	Kevin Keil	Kevin Keil	OCP	BB, JS
Out of Darkness	Christopher Walker	Christopher Walker	OCP	BB, JS
Pentecost Sequence	Bob Hurd	Bob Hurd	OCP	BB
Pentecost Sequence	Veni Sancte Spiritus	Tom Kendzia	OCP	SS
Praise the Spirit in Creation	Michael Hewlett, David Hurd	JULION	Oxford University Press	RS, W
Purify My Heart/Refiner's Fire	Brian Doerksen	Brian Doerksen	Vineyard Music USA	SS
Rise Up, O Saints of God	William Pierson Merrill	FESTAL SONG	Public Domain	OIF
Send Down the Fire	Marty Haugen	Marty Haugen	GIA	RS, G, W, VAO2
Send Out Your Spirit	Bernadette Farrell	Bernadette Farrell	OCP	BB
Send Out Your Spirit	Jesse Manibusan	Jesse Manibusan	OCP	SS
Send Us Your Spirit	Dan Schutte	Dan Schutte	OCP	BB, JS
Send Us Your Spirit	David Haas	David Haas	GIA	RS, G, BB
Sent Forth by God's Blessing	Omer Westdendorf	ASH GROVE	WLP	RS, OIF, BB, JS
Servant Song	Donna Maria McCargill, OSM	Donna Maria McCargill, OSM	OCP	BB, JS
Shine on Us, Lord	Joe Mattingly	Joe Mattingly	Joe Mattingly	VAO1
Song of the Spirit	Alan Hommerding	DUKE STREET	WLP	OIF
Spirit and Grace	Ricky Manalo, CSP	Ricky Manalo, CSP	OCP	JS
Spirit Blowing Through Creation	Marty Haugen	Marty Haugen	GIA	G
Spirit Divine, Inspire Our Prayer	Andrew Reed	GRAFENBERG, ST. AGNES	Public Domain	W, OIF
Spirit of God	James Moore	James Moore	GIA	G
Spirit of God	Michael Gleason	Michael Gleason	Gleasons	VAO2
Spirit of God Within Me	Timothy Dudley Smith	WILLOW RIVER, Michael Joncas	Hope, GIA	W
Spirit of the Living God	Daniel Iverson	Daniel Iverson	Birdwing Music	VAO2
Spirit Wind	Scott Soper	Scott Soper	GIA	G
Spirit, Come	Gregory Norbet	Gregory Norbet	OCP	BB
Sweet, Sweet Spirit	Doris Akers	SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT	Manna Music	OIF
Take Up Our Cross	Curtis Stephan, Sarah Hart, Marc Byrd	Curtis Stephan, Sarah Hart, Marc Byrd	OCP	BB, JS
Take Up Your Cross	Charles W. Everest	ERHALT UNS HERR, BRESLAU	Public Domain	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS
Take, O Take Me As I Am	John Bell	John Bell	GIA	RS, W
The Day of Pentecost Arrived	Frank Brooks	LAND OF REST	Westminster, John Knox Press	OIF
The Joy of the Gospel	Delores Dufner, OSB	ST. DENIO	GIA	RS, W
The Love of Christ Urges Us On	Jeffrey Honore	Jeffrey Honore	WLP	OIF
The Love of the Lord	Michael Joncas	CARITAS DOMINI	GIA	RS, G

The Servant Song	Richard Gillard	Richard Gillard	Brentwood Benson Pub.	RS, G, BB, JS
The Spirit Is A-Movin'	Carey Landry	Carey Landry	OCP	BB
The Spirit of God	Lucien Diess	Lucien Diess	WLP	OIF
The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve	Delores Dufner, OSB	AZMON	OCP	RS, W, BB, JS
The Summons	John Bell	KELVINGROVE	GIA	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, SS
There's a Spirit in the Air	Brian Wren	LAUDS	Hope	OIF
This is a Day of New Beginnings	Brian Wren	RENDEZ A DIEU	Hope	W
This Is Our Faith	Lucien Diess	Charles Gardner	WLP	W
Those Who Love and Those Who Labor	Geoffrey Dearmer	HYMN TO JOY	Oxford Univ. Press	RS
To Be Your Presence	Delores Dufner, OSB	ENGELBERG	GIA	W
Two Fishermen	Suzanne Toolan	LEAVE ALL THINGS BEHIND	GIA	RS, G, W
Unless a Grain of Wheat	Bernadette Farrell	Bernadette Farrell	OCP	RS, G, W, BB, JS
Unless a Grain of Wheat Falls into the Earth	Marty Haugen	UNLESS A GRAIN	GIA	RS
Veni Creator Spiritus	Rabanus Maurus	VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS	Public Domain	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS, OC
Veni Sancte Spiritus	Christopher Walker	Christopher Walker	OCP	BB, JS
Veni Sancte Spiritus	Jacques Berthier, Taizé	Jacques Berthier, Taizé	GIA	RS, G, W, OC
Veni Sancte Spiritus	Tony Alonso	Tony Alonso	WLP	OIF
Veni, Creator Spiritus	John Angotti	John Angotti	WLP	OIF, VAO2
We Are a Chosen People	Paul Berrell	Paul Berrell	WLP	VAO2
We Are Called	David Haas	David Haas	GIA	RS, G, W, BB
We Are One	Timothy Wright	Congregational Praise Song	GIA	G
We Are the Light of the World	Jean Anthony Greif	Jean Anthony Greif	Vernacular Hymns Publishing Co.	G, OIF, BB, SS
We Are the Light of the World	Jesse Manibusan	Jesse Manibusan	OCP	SS
We Come with Joy in Jesus Christ	Delores Dufner, OSB	FOREST GREEN	GIA	RS, G
We Have Been Told	David Haas	David Haas	GIA	RS, G, W, BB
Who Calls You By Name	David Haas	David Haas	GIA	RS, G
With One Voice	Ricky Manalo, CSP	Ricky Manalo, CSP	OCP	BB, JS, SS
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones	John Riley	LASST UNS ERFREUEN	Public Domain	RS, G, W, OID, BB JS
You Are the Light of the World	Paul Tate	Paul Tate	WLP	VAO2
You Have Anointed Me	Mike Balhoff, Gary Daigle, Darryl Ducote	Mike Balhoff, Gary Daigle, Darryl Ducote	Damean Music, GIA	G
You Have Called Us	Bernadette Farrell	Bernadette Farrell	OCP	BB, JS
You Walk Along Our Shoreline	Sylvia Dunstan	AURELIA	GIA	RS, G3

### **BILINGUAL HYMNS AND SONGS**

*(cross-referenced with both English and Spanish titles)*

¡Discípulos Han de Ganar!/Go, Make of All Disciples	Leon Adkins trans. Albero Merubia	ELLACOMBE	Abington Press	OC
¡Vayan con Dios/Go to the World!	Sylvia Dunstan trans. Ronald Krisman	SINE NOMINE	GIA	OC
¿A Quién Iremos?/To Whom, O Lord, Shall We Go?	Trans. Mary Louise Bringle	A QUIÉN IREMOS	GIA	OC
Amarte Sólo a Ti, Señor/To Love You, Lord	Anónimo trans. Ronald Krisman	AMARTE SOLO	GIA	OC
Aquí Estoy Señor/Here I Am, Lord	Dan Schutte trans. Joan Sosa	Dan Schutte	OCP	OC
As in Days of Old God Sends Messengers/Profetiza, Pueblo Mío	Rosa Martha Zárate Macías trans. Ronald Krisman	PROFETIZA, Rosa Martha Zárate Macías	GIA	OC
Benedicidos, Somos Santos/Blest Are We	David Haas trans. Ronald Krisman	David Haas	GIA	G, OC
Blest Are We/Benedicidos, Somos Santos	David Haas trans. Ronald Krisman	David Haas	GIA	G, OC

Breath of the Living God/Soplo del Dios Viviente	Osvaldo Catena, SSS	VARVINDAR FRISKA	The Pilgrim Press, Concordia GIA	OC
Caminas por la Orilla/You Walk Along Our Shoreline	Sylvia Dunstan trans. Georgina Pando-Connelly	AURELIA	GIA	OC
City of God/Ciudad de Dios	Dan Schutte trans. Santiago Fernández	Dan Schutte	OCP	OC
Ciudad de Dios/City of God	Dan Schutte trans. Santiago Fernández	Dan Schutte	OCP	OC
Come and Follow Me/Ven y Sígueme	Tom Franzak trans. Ronald Krisman	Tom Franzak	GIA	G, OC
Come Spirit Blest/Ven, Creador	Francisco Luis Bernardez, trans. Mary Louise Bringle	VEN CREADOR, Ronald Krisman	GIA	OC
Come, Holy Ghost/En nuestra Ser Mora, Creador	Louis Lambillotte, SJ, trans. Ronald Krisman	LAMBILLOTTE	GIA, Public Domain	OC
Come, Holy Spirit/Ven, Oh Espiritu Come, Spirit Blest/Ven Creador	Lorenzo Florián Francisco Luis Bernardez	Lorenzo Florián VEN CREADOR	WLP GIA	OIF W
Con Amor Jovial/With Rejoicing Hearts Con Sus Bendiciones/Sent Forth by God's Blessing	Jaime Cortez Omer Westendorf trans. Dimas Planas-Belfort	Jaime Cortez ASH GROVE	OCP WLP	FC OC
Con Tu Fiel Servicio, Oh Cristo/Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service	Albert Bayly trans. Georgina Pando-Connolly	IN BABILONE	Oxford University Press	OC
Cristo Te Necesita/Jesus Needs You	Cesáreo Gabaráin trans. Ruth Duck	CRISTO TE NECESITA, Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	OC
Cristo, Tu Espíritu en Mí/Jesus, Your Spirit in Us	Taizé Community	Taizé Community	GIA	RS, G, OC
Cristo, Tú Nos Has Mandado/Lord, You Give the Great Commission	Jeffrey Rowthorn trans. George Lockwood	ABBOT'S LEIGH	Hope	OC
Cry Out, O Prophet/Grita, Profeta	Emilio Vicente Matéu, trans. Mary Louise Bringle	Emilio Vicente Matéu	OCP	OC
Cual Murmullo de Paloma/Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song	Carl Daw trans. Skinner Chavez-Melo	BRIDEGROOM	Hope	OC
Quando Se Va La Esperanza/Just When All Hope Seems to Vanish	Esther Cámac trans. Bret Hesla, William Dexheimer-Pharris	ESPERANZA, Edwin Mora Guevara	Abingdon Press	OC
Digo "Si," Señor/I Say "Yes," Lord Dios Nos Llama/We Are Called	Donna Peña David Haas trans. Ronald Krisman	Donna Peña David Haas	GIA GIA	G, VAO2, OC OC
Dos Pescadores/Two Fishermen	Suzanne Toolan	LEAVE ALL THINGS BEHIND	GIA	OC
El Corazón de un Buen Pastor/Heart of a Shepherd	Rory Cooney trans. Ronald Krisman	Rory Cooney, Joseph Gelineau	GIA	RS, G, OC
El Llamdo/The Summons	John Bell trans. Ronald Krisman	KELVINGROVE	GIA	OC
En nuestra Ser Mora, Creador/Come Holy Ghost	Louis Lambillotte, SJ, trans. R. Krisman	LAMBILLOTTE	GIA, Public Domain	OC
En Ti Permanecemos/Now We Remain	David Haas trans. Santiago Fernández	David Haas	GIA	OC
Envía tu Espíritu Enviado Soy de Dios/The Lord Now Sends Us Forth	Bob Hurd José Aguiar trans. Gerhard Cartford	Bob Hurd ENVIADO, José Aguiar	OCP GIA	BB, JS, FC OC
Espíritu Consolador/O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God	Edwin Hatch trans. Revisory Committee for Cántico Nuevo	ST. COLUMBA	Public Domain	OC

Go and Teach/Id y Enseñad	Cesáreo Gabaráin trans. Ana Victoria Demezas, Kathleen Orozco, Mary Straub	Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	FC
Go and Teach/Vayan y Enseñen	Cesáreo Gabaráin trans. Ana Victoria Demezas, Kathleen Orozco, Mary Straub	ID Y ENSEÑAD, Cesáreo Gabaráin	Juan Francisco Chavez, OCP	OC
Go to the World!/¡Vayan con Dios	Sylvia Dunstan trans. Ronald Krisman	SINE NOMINE	GIA	OC
Go to the World/Vayan al Mundo	Jaime Cortez and Bob Hurd	Jaime Cortez	OCP	FC
Go, Make of All Disciples/¡Discípulos Han de Ganar!	Leon Adkins trans. Albero Merubia	ELLACOMBE	Abington Press	OC
Grita, Profeta/Cry Out, O Prophet	Emilio Vicente Matéu, trans. Mary Louise Bringle	Emilio Vicente Matéu	OCP	OC
Heart of a Shepherd/El Corazón de un Buen Pastor	Rory Cooney trans. Ronald Krisman	Rory Cooney, Joseph Gelineau	GIA	RS, G, OC
Here I Am, Lord/Aquí Estoy Señor	Dan Schutte trans. Joan Sosa	Dan Schutte	OCP	OC
Holy Spirit, Come to Us/Ven, Espíritu de Dios	Jacques Berthier, Taizé	Jacques Berthier, Taizé	GIA	OC
I Say "Yes," Lord/Digo "Si," Señor	Donna Peña	Donna Peña	GIA	G, VAO2, OC
I Want to Walk Your Servant Way/Quiero Servirte, Mi Señor	Lorenzo Florián trans. Ronald Krisman	Lorenzo Florián	GIA	OC
Id y Enseñad/Go and Teach	Cesáreo Gabaráin trans. Ana Victoria Demezas, Kathleen Orozco, Mary Straub	Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	FC
Jesus Needs You/Cristo Te Necesita	Cesáreo Gabaráin trans. Ruth Duck	CRISTO TE NECESITA, Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	OC
Jesus, Your Spirit in Us/Cristo, Tu Espíritu en Mí	Taizé Community	Taizé Community	GIA	RS, G, OC
La Canción del Servidor/The Servant Song	Richard Gillard trans. Georgina Pando- Connolly	Richard Gillard	Brentwood Benson Publishing	OC
Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song/Cual Murmullo de Paloma	Carl Daw trans. Skinner Chavez-Melo	BRIDEGROOM	Hope	OC
Lord, Fill Us/Satúranos, Señor	Anonymous trans. Ronald Krisman	SATÚRANOS	GIA	OC
Lord, When You Came/Lord, You Have Come/Pescador de Hombres	Cesáreo Gabaráin	Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS, OC, FC
Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service/Con Tu Fiel Servicio, Oh Cristo	Albert Bayly trans. Georgina Pando- Connolly	IN BABILONE	Oxford University Press	OC
Lord, You Give the Great Commission/Cristo, Tú Nos Has Mandado	Jeffrey Rowthorn trans. G. Lockwood	ABBOT'S LEIGH	Hope	OC
Lord, You Have Come/Pescador de Hombres/Lord, When You Came	Cesáreo Gabaráin	Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS, OC, FC
Now We Remain/En Ti Permanecemos	David Haas trans. Santiago Fernández	David Haas	GIA	OC
O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God/Espíritu Consolador	Edwin Hatch trans. Revisory Committee for Cántico Nuevo	ST. COLUMBA	Public Domain	OC
O Holy Dove of God Descending/Paloma Santa, Descendiendo	Bryan Jeffrey Leech, trans. Barbara Mink	LOIS	Fred Bock Music	OC
O Lord, I Offer/Te Damos Gracias	Emilio Vicente Matéu trans. Owen Alstott	Emilio Vicente Matéu	OCP	OC
Paloma Santa, Descendiendo/O Holy Dove of God Descending	Bryan Jeffrey Leech, trans. Barbara Mink	LOIS	Fred Bock Music	OC



Pescador	Emilio Vicente Matéu trans. Mary Louise Bringle	Emilio Vicente Matéu	GIA	OC
Pescador de Hombres/Lord, When You Came/Lord, You Have Come	Cesáreo Gabaráin	Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	RS, G, W, OIF, BB, JS, OC, FC
Profetiza, Pueblo Mío/As in Days of Old God Sends Messengers	Rosa Martha Zárate Macías trans. Ronald Krisman	PROFETIZA, Rosa Martha Zárate Macías	GIA	OC
Quiero Decirte Que Sí/Gladly I Say Yes to You	Cesáreo Gabaráin trans. Ruth Duck	Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	OC
Quiero Servirte, Mi Señor/I Want to Walk Your Servant Way	Lorenzo Florián trans. Ronald Krisman	Lorenzo Florián	GIA	OC
Satúranos, Señor/Lord, Fill Us	Anonymous trans. Ronald Krisman	SATÚRANOS	GIA	OC
Se Nos Has Dicho/We Have Been Told	David Haas trans. Ronald Krisman	David Haas	GIA	OC
Send Us Your Spirit/Señor Envía to Espíritu	David Haas, trans. Ronald Krisman	David Haas	GIA	OC
Señor Envía to Espíritu/Send Us Your Spirit	David Haas, trans. Ronald Krisman	David Haas	GIA	OC
Sent Forth by God's Blessing/Con Sus Bendiciones	Omer Westdendorf trans. Dimas Planas- Belfort	ASH GROVE	WLP	OC
Si el Grano de Trigo/Unless a Grain of Wheat	Bernadette Farrell trans. Ronald Krisman	Bernadette Farrell	OCP	OC
Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo/We Are the Body of Christ	Jaime Cortez	Jaime Cortez	OCP	BB, JS, OC
Soplo del Dios Viviente/Breath of the Living God	Osvaldo Catena, SSS	VARVINDAR FRISKA	The Pilgrim Press, Concordia	OC
Spirit of the Living God/Ven, Espíritu de Dios	Daniel Iverson trans. Alberto Merubia, Michael Baughen trans. Ronald Krisman	IVERSON, Danbiel Iverson	Birdwing Music	OC
Te Damos Gracias/O Lord, I Offer	Emilio Vicente Matéu trans. Owen Alstott	Emilio Vicente Matéu	OCP	OC
The Lord Now Sends Us Forth/Enviado Soy de Dios	José Aguiar trans, Gerhard Cartford	ENVIADO, José Aguiar	GIA	OC
The Summons/El Llamdo	John Bell trans. Ronald Krisman	KELVINGROVE	GIA	OC
To Love You, LordAmarte Sólo a Ti, Señor	Anónimo trans. Ronald Krisman	AMARTE SOLO	GIA	OC
Two Fishermen/Dos Pescadores	Suzanne Toolan	LEAVE ALL THINGS BEHIND	GIA	OC
Unless a Grain of Wheat/Si el Grano de Trigo	Bernadette Farrell trans. Ronald Krisman	Bernadette Farrell	OCP	OC
Vayan al Mundo/Go to the World	Jaime Cortez and Bob Hurd	Jaime Cortez	OCP	FC
Vayan y Enseñen/Go and Teach	Cesáreo Gabaráin trans. Ana Victoria Demezas, Kathleen Orozco, Mary Straub	ID Y ENSEÑAD, Cesáreo Garáin	Juan Francisco Chavez, OCP	OC
Ven y Sígueme/Come and Follow Me	Tom Franzak trans. Ronald Krisman	Tom Franzak	GIA	G, OC

Ven, Creador/Come Spirit Blest	Francisco Luis Bernardez, trans. Mary Louise Bringle	VEN CREADOR, Ronald Krisman	GIA	OC
Ven, Espíritu de Dios/Holy Spirit, Come to Us	Jacques Berthier, Taizé	Jacques Berthier, Taizé	GIA	OC
Ven, Espíritu de Dios/Spirit of the Living God	Daniel Iverson trans. Alberto Merubia, Michael Baughen trans. R. Krisman	IVERSON, Danbiel Iverson	Birdwing Music	OC
Ven, Oh Espíritu/Come, Holy Spirit	Lorenzo Florián	Lorenzo Florián	WLP	OIF
We Are Called/Dios Nos Llama	David Haas trans. Ronald Krisman	David Haas	GIA	OC
We Are the Body of Christ/Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo	Jaime Cortez	Jaime Cortez	OCP	BB, JS, OC, FC
We Have Been Told/Se Nos Has Dicho	David Haas trans. Ronald Krisman	David Haas	GIA	OC
With Rejoicing Hearts/Con Amor Jovial	Jaime Cortez	Jaime Cortez	OCP	FC
You Walk Along Our Shoreline/Caminas por la Orilla	Sylvia Dunstan trans. Georgina Pando-Connelly	AURELIA	GIA	OC

### SPANISH HYMNS AND SONGS

Canción del Misionero	Anonymous	Anonymous	OCP	FC
Cristo Te Necesita	Cesáreo Gabaráin	Cesáreo Gabaráin	OCP	FC
El Espíritu de Dios	José Olivar	Juan Espinosa	OCP	FC
El Espíritu de Dios	Carlos Vega	Carlos Vega	OCP	FC
Envía, Señor, Tu Espíritu	Joaquín Madurga	Joaquín Madurga y San Pablo Comunicación	OCP	FC
Espíritu de Vida	<i>Secuencia de Pentecostés, Juan Sosa</i>	Juan Sosa	OCP	FC
Espíritu Santo, Ven	Ricardo Mishler	Ricardo Mishler	OCP	FC
Formadores del la Sociedad	Santiago Fernández	Santiago Fernández	OCP	FC
Grita, Profeta	Emilio Vicente Matéu	Emilio Vicente Matéu	OCP	FC
Guíame, Señor	Estela García-López	Estela García-López	OCP	FC
La Barca en la Playa	Carmelo Erdozáin	Carmelo Erdozáin	OCP	FC
Piedra Vivas	Bernardo Velado	Antonio Alcalde	OCP	FC
Porque Me Ha Ungido	<i>Leccionario</i>	Jaime Cortez	OCP	FC
Renuévanos	Martha Días	Martha Días	OCP	FC
Secuencia de Pentecostés	<i>Secuencia de Pentecosté, José Luis Blanco Vega</i>	Mercy Ferrer	OCP	FC
Señor, Quiero Servirte	Santiago Fernández	Santiago Fernández	OCP	FC
Te Ofrezco, Señor, Mi Vida	Arsenio Córdova	Arsenio Córdova	OCP	FC
Un Pueblo que Camina	Emilio Vicente Matéu	Emilio Vicente Matéu	OCP	FC
Vayan y Proclamen la Buena Nueva	Tradicional de la República Dominicana	Tradicional de la República Dominicana	Public Domain	FC
Ven, Creador	<i>Veni, Creator Spiritus, adapt. F.L. Bernárdez</i>	Tradicional	OCP	FC
Ven, Espíritu de Amor	Rogelio Zelada	Orlando Rodríguez	OCP	FC
Ven, Espíritu de Dios	Juan Espinosa	Juan Espinosa	OCP	FC
Ven, Espíritu Santo	<i>Secuencia de Pentecostés, Jaime Cortez</i>	Jaime Cortez	OCP	FC

Ven, Espíritu Santo	Juan José López Sedano	Juan José López Sedano	OCP	FC
Ven, Espíritu Santo	Paula Richard	Cristóbal Fones	OCP	FC
Ven, Espíritu Santo (Secuencia de Pentecostés)	<i>Leccionario</i>	Lourdes Montgomery	OCP	FC
Ven, Llena Mi Vida	Carmen Rivera	Carmen Rivera	OCP	FC
Ven, Santo Espíritu	Roger Hernández	Roger Hernández	OCP	FC

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#### **Psalm 22:23-24ab, 26-27, 28 and 31-32**

*I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters.*

When the Holy Spirit Comes to You	Marty Haugen	GIA	W
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#### **Psalm 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6**

*The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

*see also 4th Sunday of Lent A, 4th Sunday of Easter A, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus C, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time B, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe A, All Souls Day*

El Señor Es Mi Pastor	Carlos Rosas	OCP	FC
El Señor Es Mi Pastor	Michael Comella	OCP	FC
El Señor Es Mi Pastor/The Lord is My Shepherd	Mary Frances Reza	OCP	BB, FC, JS BB, G, RS, W, OIF
My Shepherd is the Lord	Joseph Gelineau, SJ	GIA	OC,RS
My Shepherd is the Lord/El Señor Es Mi Pastor	Joseph Gelineau, SJ	GIA	OC,RS
Nada Me Falta/My Shepherd is the Lord	Dona Peña	GIA	OC,RS
Shepherd Me, O God	Marty Haugen	GIA	G, RS, BB, JS, SS
Shepherd Me, O God/Guáme, Señor	Marty Haugen	GIA	RS
The Lord is My Shepherd	Josh Blakesley	OCP	SS
The Lord is My Shepherd	Kevin Keil	OCP	JS
The Lord is My Shepherd	Scot Crandal	OCP	BB, JS, SS
The Lord is My Shepherd	Terence Colopy	WLP	OIF
The Lord is My Shepherd/El Señor Es Mi Pastor	Michelle Abeyta	WLP	OIF
The Lord is My Shepherd/El Señor Es Mi Pastor	Ronald Krisman	GIA	G, OC, W

#### **Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 9-10a, 11-12**

*Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.*

*See also 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time C*

Proclaim God's Marvelous Deeds	Randolph Currie	GIA	W
Proclaim His Marvelous Deeds	Timothy R. Smith	OCP	BB, JS
Proclaim to All the Nations	Marty Haugen	GIA	G, RS
Proclaim to All the Nations/Cuenten a Todos los Pueblos	Marty Haugen	GIA	OC

#### **Psalm 104:1ab and 24, 27-28, 30-31, 33-34**

*Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.*

*See also Easter Vigil, Pentecost Vigil, Pentecost Sunday*

Envía Tu Espíritu	Alberto Taulé	OCP	FC
Envía Tu Espíritu, Señor	Carlos Rosas	OCP	FC
Envía Tu Espíritu, Señor	Pedro Rubalcava	OCP	FC
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit	Aaron Thompson	WLP	VAO2
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit	C. Neil Blunt	WLP	OIF

Lord, Send Out Your Spirit	John Schiavone	OCP	JS
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit	Ken Canedo	OCP	BB, JS, SS
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit	Marcy Weckler Barr	WLP	VAO2
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit	Paul Lisicky	GIA	G, RS, W
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit	Richard Proulx	GIA	G, RS, W
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit Upon Us	James J. Chepponis	GIA	W
Lord, Send Out Your Spirit/ Señor, Envía Tu Espíritu	Paul Lisicky	GIA	OC
Send Forth Your Spirit	Marty Haugen	GIA	RS
Send Forth Your Spirit, O Lord	Christopher Walker	OCP	BB, JS
Send Forth Your Spirit, O Lord	Stephen C. Warner	WLP	OIF, VAO1
Send Out Your Spirit	John Angotti	WLP	VAO2
The Whole World is Filled With the Spirit of the Lord	John R. Ainslie	GIA	W

**Psalm 117:1bc, 2**

*You will be my witnesses to all the world.*

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Go Out to All the World	Louis Canter	OCP	BB
Go Out to All the World and Tell the Good News	Owen Alstott	OCP	JS
Go Out, Go Out	Curtis Stephan	OCP	SS
Vayan por el Mundo Entero	Lourdes C. Montgomery	OCP	FC

**Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 8-9, 10-11, 15-16, 21**

*I will praise your name for ever, Lord.*

*See also 5th Sunday of Easter C, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time A, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time C*

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Alabaré Tu Nombre/I Will Praise Your Name	Eleazar Cortés	OCP	FC
Bendeciré Tu Nombre	Carlos Rosas	OCP	FC
I Will Praise Your Name	David Haas	GIA	BB, G, RS
I Will Praise Your Name	Donad J. Reagan	GIA	W
I Will Praise Your Name	Leon Roberts	GIA	RS
I Will Praise Your Name	Rawn Harbor	OCP	SS
I Will Praise Your Name	Scott Soper	OCP	BB, JS
I Will Praise Your Name	Timothy R. Smith	OCP	JS
I Will Praise Your Name	Tony Alonso	GIA	RS
I Will Praise Your Name Forever	Joseph B. Sullivan	WLP	OIF
I Will Praise Your Name Forever	Tom Booth	OCP	JS, SS
I Will Praise Your Name	Christopher Willcock	OCP	JS
I Will Praise Your Name/Bendeciré Tu Nombre	David Haas	GIA	OC

**ABBREVIATION KEY: HYMNALS**

*RS - Ritual Song 2nd Edition (GIA)*

*G - Gather 3rd Edition (GIA)*

*W - Worship 3rd Edition (GIA)*

*OIF - One In Faith (WLP)*

*BB - Breaking Bread 2018 (OCP)*

*JS - JourneySongs - 3rd Edition (OCP)*

*SS - Spirit and Song (OCP)*

*VAO1 - Voices as One Volume 1 (WLP)*

*VAO2 - Voices as One Volume 2 (WLP)*

*OC - Oramos Cantado/We Pray in Song (GIA)*

*FC - Flor y Canto Tercera Edición (OCP)*

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