

- 4:30 Arrive at St. Matthias Church / Pick up name-tag & a playing card**
Icebreaker – Shuffle the Deck
- students get into groups of 3 based on their cards (same value, straight or flush)
- group of 3 should sit down in the same half-pew in the church
- 4:35 Prayer – Guided Meditation “Pass the Cross”** Rachel
- each table gets a few hand crosses to pass
- each candidate responds inwardly in prayer
- 4:45 Talk – Pentecost** Rachel w/ assistance
- Scripture reading from Acts 2:1-12 – Joe Rosales
- effect of the Spirit to transform the lives of the Apostles and transform our own
 - teach refrain to “Refiner’s Fire”
- so why do we anoint with oil and not with fire or wind? (“Duck Duck Goose”)
 - anointed not just as a witness, but chosen as priest, prophet and king
- 4:55 Move across the street to the Gym for Dinner**
- 5:00 Meal Prayer - Group grace prayer** Melissa Richlen
Dinner – clean up after yourself
- 5:30 Breakout Session / Chosen as Priest, Prophet & King** Groups
- groups explore themes:
 - priest (Green, Blue, White): Hebrews 4:14-5:4
 - king (Red, Black, Brown): 2 Samuel 5:1-2 & Psalm 61:1-9
 - prophet (Orange, Purple): 2 Samuel 12:1-7
 - chosen (Pink, Yellow): Ephesians 1:3-6 & John 15:12-17
 - brainstorm what is needed for that role
 - read & discuss Scripture passage(s) and answer a few questions
- each group will need to select a scribe to record brainstorming and answers
- 5:50 Share answers** Table Groups report back
- 6:00 Talk – Purification and Continuing Conversion** Rachel w/assistance
- Scripture reading from Malachi 3:1-4 – Isabel López
- story of the woman & the silversmith: hottest part of fire, watched, own image
- purification removes anything that is not of value, can feel like being “tested”
 - teach verses to “Refiner’s Fire”
- 6:15 Stretch Break / Restroom Break if needed**
- 6:20 Brainstorming: Impurities / Temptations & Challenges** Rachel & Roine
different kinds of impurities in different areas of lives (*mini-witness by catechists*)
- relationship with God: sloth, pride, etc. (Deadly Sins) growing like weeds
- relationship with others: to gossip, bully others, form cliques, lack compassion
- relationship with ourselves: substance abuse: vaping, marijuana, alcohol abuse
- 6:35 Breakout: My Impurities (an Examination of Conscience)** Groups
- *worksheet* to name our own impurities that we may want to bring to Jesus as part of our Reconciliation later on; answers are private, for personal use later
- *option if time allows: read and discuss as a table Malachi 3:5*
- Rachel leaves to open the church & set up for Reconciliation

- 6:45 Making a Good Confession** Roine Dryer-Michaels
 - “Sacraments 101: Why We Confess” video from BustedHalo
 - how to pray during the Examination of Conscience
 - steps for confession (also listed on the back of the worship aid), lighting candles
- 7:00 Clean up & Pack / Restroom / Coats on (bundle up!)** Catechists
 under the direction of Joe, Isabel and Melissa
- 7:10 Out the door – Walk to Church** - Roine & Stella remain behind to clean up
 - to church w/ students: Joe, Scott, Melissa, Isabel, Jack, Leticia, Alexis, Reina
 - enter through side door with ramp from Claremont
- 7:15 Reconciliation Prayer Service**
 priest confessors: Fr. Jason, Fr. Michael, Fr. Tom Libera and Fr. Sergio Romo
 - see *worship aid* for the order of service
- Confessions Flow Management Isabel, Rachel, Melissa, Joe
 - *prompt youth in line to go up when a priest available, w/ “on deck” lines*
 - *prioritize Spanish-language confessions for Spanish-speaking priests*
 - *offer chance to do penance prayers, remind about lighting candle*
 - *direct candles & to rear pews for evaluation* Leticia, Scott
- *as they come back from individual confessions, candidates*
 - *light a candle at center aisle to show that they’ve gone to confession*
 - *may then pray quietly in the church (if that is part of their penance)*
 - *then go to the rear pews at the back of church where they can*
 *complete an **evaluation** (pencils available)* Reina, Jack, Alexis
 - *other **prayer aids** available to use time in church wisely and reverently*
 (rosaries & guides, variety of prayer cards, penance prayers)
 - *catechists help with maintaining a prayerful atmosphere & managing “what’s next?” interactions, but may also go to confession once candidates have gone*
- 8:25 Reminders and Closing Prayer**
likely from back of church if individual confessions still going Rachel
- 8:30 Dismissal** *from Ainslie doors of the church*