

This session's objectives:

- To give Candidates a deeper and clearer understanding of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit
- To show that the Gifts of the Spirit are an integral part of living a holy life in Christ, as expressed in the Scriptures and through the lives of their chosen patron saints/holy people

This session's program:

1. **Name-tag pick-up** (*hang onto CN papers*) & **Icebreaker** (Tables/Groups) 5 min 6:45
"The Best Gifts Ever" - *discuss/share with your table, then share Journal p. 34:*
 - name 1 gift you have given that you put a lot of thought/work into when you gave it
 - name 1 gift you have received that has little cash value but means a lot to you
2. **Opening Prayer** (Rachel/Joe/Paul) 5 min 6:50
Making art inspired by our prayer with song "[This Is Amazing Grace](#)" (Phil Wickham), designing & decorating crowns for Jesus in honor of Christ the King Sunday
3. **Gifts of the Spirit Overview** (Rachel/Paul/Joe) 10 min 6:55
 - see *textbk pp. 53-55 & leader notes* - tools for knowing God's will & doing God's will
 - *given in Baptism, strengthened in Confirmation* - briefly intro each Gift from notes
4. **Reflection: Sentence Starters** (Individually) - *leader plays quiet music* 10 min 7:05
 - *each student reflects on each Gift's presence in their life by finishing the prompts*
5. **Breakout: Exploring the Gifts of the Spirit** (At Tables) 40-45 min 7:15
 - *each table/group is assigned a Gift of the H.S. to go in-depth with (ex: Piety/Reverence)*
 - *guided by reflection question sheet – scribe writes group's answers*
 - *read the description of that gift in the textbook on pp. 53-56 (names may differ)*
 - *look up and read the 2 or 3 Scripture passages from card*
 - *Track B can begin this in one class session and continue it in the other*

 - *each table/group creates a version of "Happy Birthday" (new words, same tune)*
 - *4 unique lines of lyrics about their Gift of the Spirit (not same line repeated 4x)*
 - *will need to sing the song to the larger group - legible lyrics to be handed in*
 - **discuss name papers:** *each table/group should identify which of the saints/holy people described in their Confirmation Name papers is the **best example of being filled with that (or another) Gift of the Spirit***
 - *be ready to share that saint's story *briefly* with the large group*
6. **Presentations of Songs & Saints** (~3 minutes for each Table/Group) 20 min 8:00
each table/group sings their song & explains how their representative saint showed they were filled with that (or another) Gift of the HS - collect Name reflections w/ cover shts
7. **Reminders and Closing Prayer** (*Gifts of the Spirit Petitions*) 5-10 min 8:20
each table/group chooses a volunteer to read 1 pre-written, laminated petition for their assigned Gift of the Spirit (on red cards)

Homework for Candidates and Some Reminders: *Happy Thanksgiving!*

- **do Gifts of the Spirit crossword puzzle** (*handout*)
- read/do **pages 53-56** in your textbook and **page 64** in your journal
- Next class after Thanksgiving: Tr A Mon 12/1; Tr B Wed 12/3 & Thurs 12/4 in Religion
- Upcoming Tr A "Mass class" with families on Mon 12/8: 6:30pm Bilingual Mass at Q of Angels Church followed by Conf Prep in HFH to 8:30pm (*short Tr B session that week*)