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**February 8th & 9th, 2025**  
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Deacon Dan's Preaching Weekend**

### **Confirmation and the Confirmation Creed**

The ways of celebrating Confirmation vary as much as the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Some people celebrate Confirmation in their adolescence after many months of catechesis and service. Some are confirmed when they are baptized. Members of other churches may be confirmed when they are received into the full communion of the Catholic Church.... Surely, Confirmation seals a candidate with the gift of the Holy Spirit. But the disparity of age, preparation, and celebration of this sacrament remains widespread.

In the early Church, all the Baptisms happened at the cathedral on Easter. After Baptism, the bishop anointed with Chrism, imposed his hands and prayed for the Holy Spirit. When Christianity spread to rural communities, bishops could no longer gather all those to be baptized. Consequently, by the fifth century, they permitted the presbyters and deacons of the smaller communities to baptize, but the bishops "confirmed" the Baptisms in the community.

At the same time, our Church was welcoming back into the fold those who had strayed to heresies. To ritualize their return, we borrowed two gestures from the Baptismal rite: the imposition of hands and the anointing with Chrism. From these beginnings, Confirmation has come down to us as three families of rituals:

- 1) **Initiation.** The Eastern rites confirm (or chrismate) everyone as soon as they are baptized— even infants. In the West, we confirm at the Baptism of adults and children of catechetical age.
- 2) **Maturity.** We delay Confirmation for Catholics baptized as infants. The age of the typical candidate may range anywhere from about seven to about sixteen. Dioceses in the United States may set their age within that range. That's why children in your diocese may be confirmed at one age and children in the next diocese are confirmed at another.
- 3) **Transference.** When baptized candidates transfer from another church into the Catholic Church, we confirm them after they make their profession of faith.

Although the meaning of Confirmation changes slightly within each family, its overall purpose celebrates the gift of the Holy Spirit in the baptized, which helps us to bear faithful witness to Christ.

During the celebration of Confirmation, instead of professing the Creed, those to be confirmed follow a special form of the renewal of Baptismal promises. This form is used only for those baptized as infants and confirmed later.

Normally, Catholics renew Baptismal promises with the form used at their Baptism. They renounce Satan with three statements and profess faith with three statements. At Confirmation, however, there is one renunciation of Satan and four questions of belief. The one renunciation summarizes all three. The extra question of belief is inserted after the one about Jesus Christ: "Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who today through the Sacrament of Confirmation is given to you in a special way just as he was given to the Apostles on the day of Pentecost?"

This question, unique to the Rite of Confirmation, underscores the role of the Holy Spirit in this sacrament. The account of the first Pentecost comes from the Acts of the Apostles, and Catholics as well as many other Christians believe that the Holy Spirit comes again to the Church on the occasion of those celebrating their Confirmation.

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**Congratulations to St Paul's parishioner, Joe Ruelbach,  
who was confirmed in St George on Saturday Feb 8th. (pictured with his wife Louise)**

### **Please Pray for:**

Brian Scharrer	Jim Scarth †	Rob Dwyer
Cheryl Kartes	Joel Speas †	Robert Bullock †
David Pope	Joseph Graziano	Robert Sargent †
Dionesio Briones †	Karen Poelakker	Roger Hawkes †
Don Taylor	Kitty Woolridge	Samuel Scarth
Doug Pope †	Kyle Hanson †	Shaun Rich
Fred Hawkes	Laura Fawson	Sue Munoz
Gordon Bryson	Lilie Ostro	Steve Kist
Hector Garduno †	Lynne Cook	TJ Olsen
Irving & Lucille Douroux	Mark Borowiak	Torii Cain
Jean Bourque †	Norm Engle	Tracy Goodin
Jill Nagrodsky	Richard McAfee †	Wanda Guglielmetti
Jim Keys	Rita Hoffman	Wendy & Lance Tanner

We are a Mission Parish; our Priests travel from St George

### **CONTACT A PRIEST**

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**Pastor, Reverend**  
**David Bittmenn,**  
Reverend Tristan Dillon  
Deacon Dan Weber

**Communion to the**  
**Sick & Homebound:**  
**Please contact the church office.**

**Parish Calendar**

**VIGIL MASS:** Saturday 6pm

**MASS:** Sunday 12:30pm

**BIBLE STUDY:** Mondays @ 12:30p

**ROSARY:** Monday @ 2pm

**BINGO:** February 20th Doors open at 6pm - 1st game at 6:30

**KNIGHTS ROUNDTABLE:**

Third Monday at 3pm

**CCD CLASS—Tuesday @ 5:30-7p**

**COMMUNION SERVICE:**

Wednesday @ 9am

**ADORATION:**

Wednesday, Feb 12th 9:30-10a



Knights of Columbus food donations can be left in the box under the table by the front door

**BINGO!**  
**BLACK-OUT & 50/50**  
 at  
**Saint Paul Catholic Center**  
 171 S. Main St.  
 Hurricane, UT  
**THURSDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 20th**  
 Doors Open at 6:00 pm  
 First Game Starts Promptly at 6:30pm



We're Serving Our Delicious **CHILI CHEESE DOG & Chips** Just \$5 a Plate

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New Seminarian Poster is in the Hallway

Pray for us!



Father Carlos Guzman (Assistant Director) & Father Dominic Sternhagen (Director of Vocations)



**Saint Paul Catholic Center**  
**EMERGENCY EVACUATION PLAN**

In the event of fire or natural disaster, please patiently and without endangering anyone around you, utilize one of three exits and proceed onto Main Street or to the rear of the church parking lot.

If you are parked on church property, we highly recommend you **do not remove your vehicle** to avoid obstructing entry to emergency vehicles and or first responders and or accidentally injuring anyone on foot on the way out.

In the event of a medical emergency, at the direction of the priest, please exit the building with exception of those qualified to provide immediate first aid or medical assistance. **Do not block** the main doorway entrance or the entrance to the parking lot in order to allow unobstructed entry to emergency vehicles and other first responders.

**Main Exits**

The **main double doors** facing the driveway.

The second emergency exit adjacent to the choir organ which leads to the rear parking lot

**In critical situations**, exiting via the hallway near the restrooms, and then the front and side doors to the Thrift Store may be utilized.

