

# MYSTAGOGIA

As a newly Confirmed member of our Catholic Church, and St. Giles Parish, each candidate will be invited to gather in small groups with selected of leaders from our parish. These leaders may be members of the parish staff, parish pastoral council, or chairperson of one of our parish ministries or organizations. They represent the adults of our parish community.

The purpose of this PROCESS is to assist the newly Confirmed in reflecting on their experience of preparing for and receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

As your mentors in faith, these adult leaders are there to help you connect what you learned with how you have grown spiritually, so that you may determine where your journey of faith is leading you. In the early Church this phase was called "mystagogia".

To prepare for your small group session it is recommended that the newly Confirmed:

- Review sacrament journal entries & service journal
- Review the assignments from your Confirmation packet
- Ask your sponsor/parents for feedback on your growth during this process
- Think about what you said to the Bishop in your letter

The next page will list some reflection questions that will also be of assistance in preparing for the small group discussion. The discussion will last approximately 60 minutes.

Candidates will receive information regarding their specific mystagogia time and location one week after the celebration of Confirmation.

**INTERVIEWS WILL BE SCHEDULED BETWEEN MARCH 12 through APRIL 1**

