PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES FOR COMBINED CELEBRATIONS

Host Pastor:Bishop ______,
the parishes of ______
are grateful for your presence among us today
and we are pleased to have you with us
to seal with the Holy Spirit the candidates before you.These candidates have carefully prepared for this day
under the guidance of their parents
and our teachers of Christian doctrine.
They seek to complete their Christian Initiation

and to receive full incorporation in the Body of Christ. It is now our pleasure to present them to you.

The pastor or parish life coordinator from each participating parish presents his or her candidates. The candidates <u>stand</u> as soon as their parish name is announced, and after the Pastor/PLC has presented them to the bishop, they are to be <u>seated</u>. <u><i>The following text is said for each participating parish:</u>

Pastor/PLC: From the parish of _____

[pause and wait for candidates to stand]

I present these candidates for confirmation.

[candidates are seated]

Once all the candidates have been presented to the bishop and they are all seated, the host pastor continues:

Host Pastor: We ask your prayers for these candidates and for all the members of our parish communities, that we will be faithful to the Gospel by spreading and defending the Catholic faith, both by word and by lives of service, as true witnesses of Jesus Christ.