Opening Prayer

There is a short litany in the middle of the prayer. After each invocation, please
respond, “You sent your Spirit.”

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and light in each one of us the fire of your love. Give us the courage to keep feeding the flame. Help us to burn so brightly that the world will know your loving presence through us, and the whole earth will be renewed through mercy. God, you love us and have given us the Sacrament of Confirmation to strengthen and embolden us. Throughout our process of preparation, we have encountered your loving, challenging presence.

When we first began, . . . you sent your Spirit.

On our retreat, . . . you sent your Spirit.

Through our learning, . . . you sent your Spirit.

In our friendships, . . . you sent your Spirit.

Through our saints and sponsors, . . . you sent your Spirit.

In our service projects, . . . you sent your Spirit.

Through our parish community, . . . you sent your Spirit.

Through our leaders *(you could mention the names of adult and teen leaders here)* . . . you sent your Spirit.

In the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation, . . . you sent your Spirit.

Together we have learned and grown. We have served and celebrated, given and received love and friendship. Bless our time together today. Once more, send your Holy Spirit among us to connect and inspire us, we pray, through Christ Our Lord, Amen.