

# St. Christopher's

**2016 – 2017 Confirmation Class**

**Sept 18, 2016**

# Opening Prayer

Lord, you brought us here for a reason, help us to make the best of our time and talents. Open our hearts and minds to the Sacrament of Confirmation of which we are preparing for.

Mother Mary, you were with the apostles' when the Holy Spirit first appeared to them at Pentecost, send the same Spirit to us, so we too may be filled with the knowledge and love that only He can give us, in Jesus name we pray.  
Amen

# What is Confirmation?

We will answer this question over the next 30 lessons!



# It's not Graduation!



# Confirmation Is Not

- A check on your bucket list
- The end of a journey
- Getting confirmed



# From the Pope



**"What does it mean to receive the 'seal' of the Holy Spirit? It means being indelibly marked, inalterably changed, a new creation. For those who have received this gift, nothing can ever be the same!"**

**~ Pope Benedict XVI, 23rd World Youth Day Homily**



# What is Confirmation?

- ~~A check on your bucket list~~ **It's an Indelible Mark, a New Creation !**
- ~~The end of a journey~~ **It's the Beginning of the Journey!**
- ~~Getting confirmed~~ **Being Confirmed! Living Confirmed!**



# CHOSEN

## Lesson 1

- Ice Breaker: Autographs (5 min.)
- Video: Why am I here (3 min.)
- Goals: My (5) personal Goals, what do I want out of life? (3 min.)
- Video: Beginning the Journey (5 min.)
- Discussion Group: (4 min each question, 20 min. total)
- Expectations: (5 min.)



# Expectations

- You need to put forth a good effort
- It's no accident we are all here.
  - You're here to learn your faith and be confirmed
  - We're here to teach that faith and have it reinforced in our hearts
- We want to help! Please ask!
- Being Catholic is about Jesus! We want you to love & know him as:
  - Our God
  - Our Savior
  - Our Brother
  - Our Friend

# Challenge of the Week

- Work towards your goals and report back next week.
- Pray the Hail Mary each night before bed.
  - Ask Mary to help you on your journey.
- Be kind to someone!
  - Someone who is difficult to be kind to
  - Someone you don't like
  - A stranger

Week 2  
9/25/2016

WISDOM

UNDERSTANDING

COUNSEL

FORTITUDE

KNOWLEDGE

PIETY

FEAR OF GOD

# The Ten Commandments

- **Decalogue?**
  - Ten Words
  - Spoken by God to Moses
    - Deuteronomy 5:6-21 (Catholics)
    - Exodus 20:2-17 (Protestants)
  - Written of (2) Stone Tablets
    - The Testimony (Tables of the Testimony)
    - Placed in the Ark
    - Carried by the Israelites everywhere they went



# The Ten Commandments

1. I, the Lord, am your God. You shall not have other gods besides me.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord God in vain
3. Remember to keep holy the Sabbath
4. Honor your father and your mother
5. You shall not kill
6. You shall not commit adultery
7. You shall not steal
8. You shall not bear false witness
9. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife
10. You shall not covet your neighbor's goods

# The Ten Commandments

Negative Prohibitions or Positive Precepts

- Breakout session
- (2) Groups
  - Group (1) Explore the negative argument
  - Group (2) Explore the positive argument



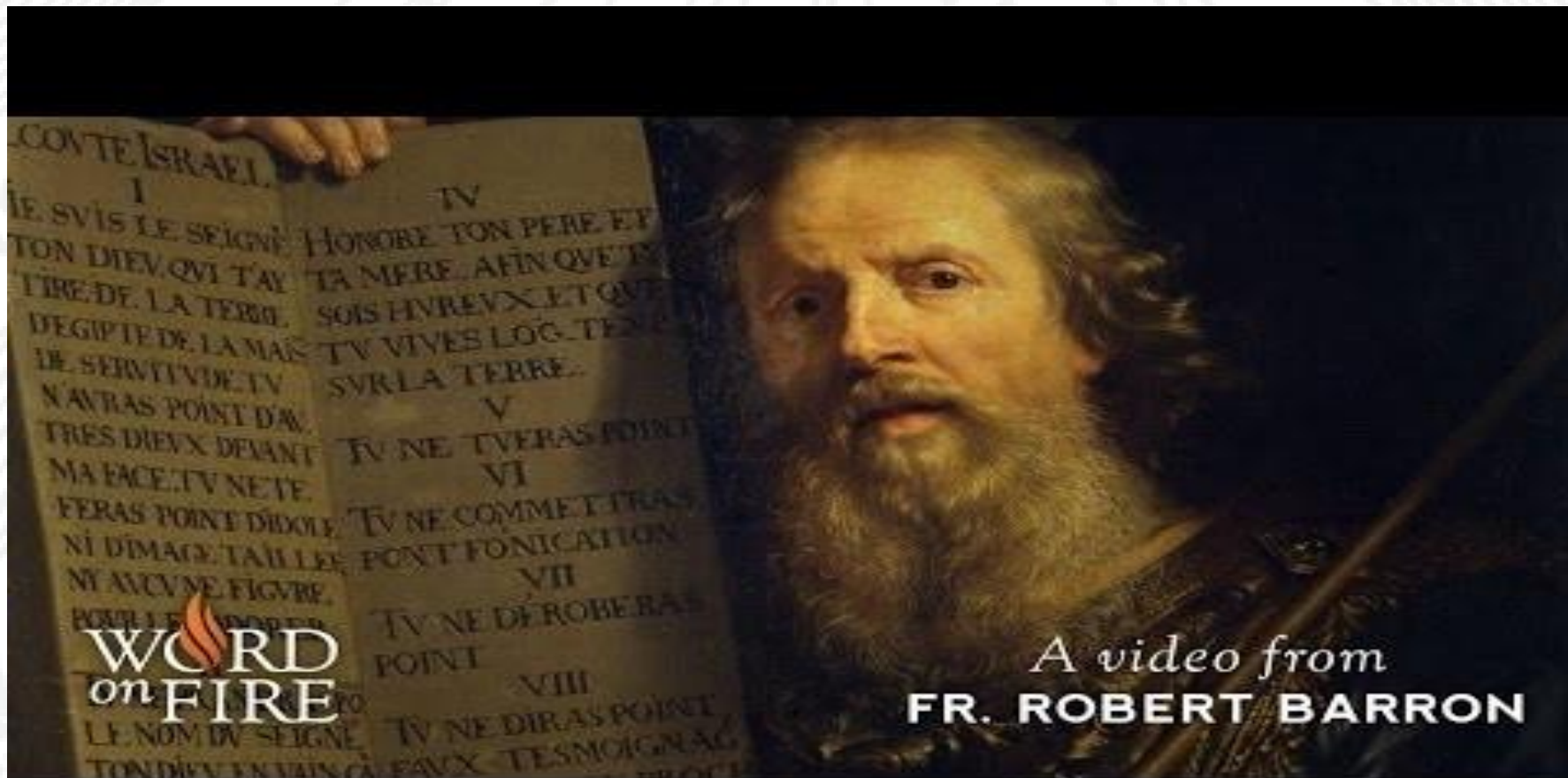
# Week 3

## 10/09/2016

- **Review:**
  - **What are the Ten Commandments**
    - **God laws for us**

# The Ten Commandments

Bishop Barron on the Ten Commandments



# The Ten Commandments

- **Review:**
  - **What are the Ten Commandments?**
    - God laws for us
    - Foundation of our Moral and Spiritual Life
  - **What (2) groups do they deal with?**
    - Our Love / Relationship with God
    - Our Love / Relationship with others
  - **How do people act when they do not have God in their life?**
    - Put them selves first

# The Ten Commandments

What does Jesus say?

- Matthew 19: 16-22 NASV
  - The Young Rich Ruler
- Matthew 19: 23-30 NASV
  - Eye of the Needle
  - Disciples Reward
- Matthew 22: 34-40 NASV
  - Summary of the Commandments

# The Ten Commandments

## Breakout Session

- Break into 3 Group
- Each group read the Bible passage assigned
- Discuss the following
  - What do you think Jesus was talking about
  - What does it mean to me today
  - How can you apply Jesus' words in your life

# The Ten Commandments

What does Jesu say?

Matthew 19: 16-22

The Rich Young Ruler

16 And someone came to Him and said, “Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may obtain eternal life?” 17 And He said to him, **“Why are you asking Me about what is good? There is only One who is good; but if you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments.”** 18 Then he \*said to Him, “Which ones?” And Jesus said, **“You shall not commit murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; 19 Honor your father and mother; and You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”** 20 The young man \*said to Him, “All these things I have kept; what am I still lacking?” 21 Jesus said to him, **“If you wish to be [j]complete, go and sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.”** 22 But when the young man heard this statement, he went away grieving; for he was one who owned much property.



# The Ten Commandments

What does Jesu say?

Matthew 19: 23-30

23 And Jesus said to His disciples, “Truly I say to you, it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. 24 Again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.” 25 When the disciples heard this, they were very astonished and said, “Then who can be saved?” 26 And looking at them Jesus said to them, “With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

The Disciples' Reward

27 Then Peter said to Him, “Behold, we have left everything and followed You; what then will there be for us?” 28 And Jesus said to them, “Truly I say to you, that you who have followed Me, in the regeneration when the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne, you also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. 29 And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or farms for My name's sake, will receive many times as much, and will inherit eternal life. 30 But many who are first will be last; and the last, first.

# The Ten Commandments

What does Jesu say?

Matthew 22: 34-40

<sup>34</sup> But when the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered themselves together. <sup>35</sup> One of them, <sup>[u]</sup>a lawyer, asked Him *a question*, testing Him, <sup>36</sup> “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” <sup>37</sup> And He said to him, “**YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.**” <sup>38</sup> This is the great and <sup>[o]</sup>foremost commandment. <sup>39</sup> The second is like it, **‘YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.’** <sup>40</sup> On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets.”

- **LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND**
- **LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF**

# The Ten Commandments

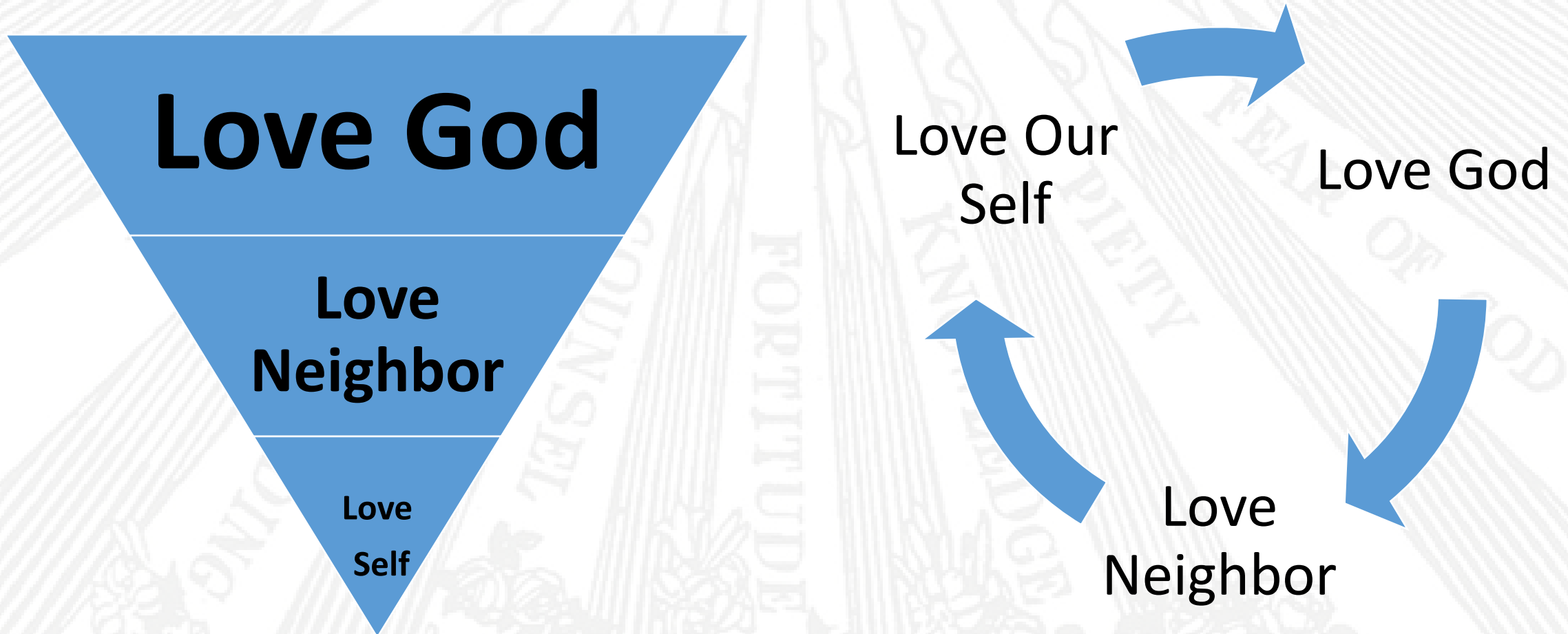
- How do you feel after you commit a sin?
  - Remorse
  - Contrition
  - Repentant

# The Ten Commandments

What does Jesus say?

- Matthew 19: 16-30
  - The Question: What must I do to have eternal Life?
  - Perfection
  - The “Eye of the Camel”
  - Giving up all for the Kingdom
- Matthew 22: 34-40
  - Summary of the Commandments

# The Ten Commandments



# Closing Prayer

**Does anyone have any prayer intentions?**

## **Challenge for the Week**

- **Achieve (1) passport stamp**
- **Prayer Before Bed**
  - **(1) Our Father, (1) Hail Mary & (1) Glory Be**



# The Ten Commandments

## The Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Understand what each Commandment means
  - Our Love for God
  - Our Love for Others
- Examine our failure of following the Commandments

# Challenge of the Week

- Continue to work towards you goals
- Pray the Our Father & Hail Mary each night before bed.
  - Ask Jesus & Mary to help you on your journey.
- The Ten Commandments
  - Read them
  - Learn them
  - Come to understand there meaning in your life



Have a Great Week!