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RECORDING CONFIRMATIONS IN SACRAMENTAL REGISTRY

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When confirmation is conferred upon persons from several parishes at one ceremony, the record is now made at the respective parish of the recipient. The parish of the recipient is also responsible for sending the confirmation notice to the church of baptism.

Example:

A confirmation is held at St. Mary Parish and there are 15 confirmands. 10 of the confirmands are from St. Mary, and 5 are from the neighboring parish of St. Joseph.

Old way of recording: All confirmands are recorded at St. Mary OR each confirmand is recorded at his or her respective parish

New way of recording: Each confirmand is recorded at his or her respective parish.

Note that when the pastor of some recipient(s) is not present for the conferral of confirmation, the minister of the sacrament or the pastor where it was conferred is obliged to notify the absent pastor about the fact of confirmation.

Please note: The last published edition of the Diocesan Sacramental Register Handbook states that in the case of a multi-parish confirmation, the record can be made at either parish. This has now changed. The new procedure will be reflected in an upcoming edition of the Sacramental Record Handbook.