

Topic: Installing New Windows: Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Family Small Group for Confirmation Week 2.15 (February 9, 2025)

Parent and Student Resources	
The resources listed below will be used in some capacity throughout the lesson. Please read them when prompted.	
Student Resources	Parent Resources
<p>A Well Built Faith:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 11, <i>Installing New Windows: Sacraments at the Service of Communion</i> (pg 85-92) <p>Formed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Symbolon for Teens: "Matrimony & Holy Orders"</i>, Episode 5 	<p>Deep Dive: <i>Catechism for Adults</i>, Chapter 21 & Chapter 30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Purposes of Marriage pg. 283-285 The Love of Husband and Wife pg. 408-410 <p>Video: Three Minute Catechism: Marriage</p>
1. Opening Prayer (read together)	2. Personal Connection
<p>Blessing of Families</p> <p>Almighty and eternal God, your fatherly tenderness never ceases to provide for our needs. We ask you to bestow on this daily and this home the riches of your blessing. With the gift of grace, sanctify those who live here, so that, faithful to your commandments, they will care for each other, ennoble this world by their lives, and reach the home you have prepared for them in heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>	<p>Parents- Reflect on then discuss the following:</p> <p>What couples do you look to as a model for marriage? What do you most admire about them? What do you hope for your son or daughter in their future marriage (if that is their vocation)?</p> <p>After sharing, ask your student:</p> <p>Have you considered religious life (priest, monk, nun)? If not, would you consider it? Have you considered the vocation of marriage? Why do you think marriage is considered a vocation (or job for the Church)?</p>
3. Formed Video	
Watch on Formed Symbolon for Teens: "Matrimony & Holy Orders". Episode 5	
4. Discussion Questions (writing down answers prior to discussion may encourage deeper conversations)	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Why are Holy Orders and Matrimony called Sacraments at the Service of Communion? Watch this Three Minute Catechism on marriage. What does the catechism mean when it says love is an act of the will? In what way do Catholic priests serve to build up the common priesthood of the faithful (aka us)? 	
5. Closing	
As a family, discuss your current prayer intentions and take a moment to pray together.	