

Diocese of Galway, Kilmacduagh & Kilfenora

Guidance for the Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation 2025

IN GENERAL

- Each year the Confirmation liturgy booklet is updated please make sure you are working from the updated booklet.
- The Confirmation Liturgy Booklet 2025 is to be followed exactly as it is nothing should be added to it or taken from it.
- Only sacred music should be chosen to accompany the liturgy. There is a vast source of appropriate music in the *Grow in Love* series resources.
- Readers are required for:
 - 1) The first reading;
 - 2) The second reading;
 - 3) The Prayer of the Faithful;
 - 4) Post-Communion reflection, if one is chosen.
- If desired, symbols/art work may be used to decorate the church beforehand. If gifts/symbols are to be brought forward this should be done before the liturgy begins.
- Only the bread and wine should be brought forward at the offertory.
- Candidate, parents, family members and sponsor should sit as decided locally.

PHOTOGRAPHY and APPLAUSE

- Mobile phones, tablets, or cameras are not permitted during the ceremony.
- Group photographs should be kept to a minimum and preferably be taken outside the church.



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- There should be no applause until the ceremony ends.
- An announcement regarding photography and applause should be made before the ceremony begins.

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