Suggested 2nd Reading for Confirmation 2018: (WMOF 2018)

Pope Francis has offered us the lovely passage of St Paul in 1 Cor 13: 4-7 as a core text for our reflection on living out the joy of love. (Chapter 4: *Amoris Laetitia*). Our suggestion is that this text be used as the 2nd Reading in our celebrations of the Sacrament of Confirmation. Only with the Spirit to help us can we live this way of love

A Reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Community in Corinth ( 1 Cor. 13: 2-3)

If I give all I possess to the poor, but do not have love, I gain nothing

Love is patient, love is kind;

It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

It does not dishonour others, it is not self seeking,

It is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Love never fails.

After the reading we take a moment of silence and then say:

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God