

be ready to suffer all sorts of contempt, affronts, pains and persecution, for Jesus Christ, his faith and religion.

Q. Why does he say at the same time, Peace be with thee?

A. To denote that patience is the source of true peace, of that peace which surpasses all human understanding.

Q. What must we attend to after we have received the unction on our forehead?

A. We must be careful not to put our hand to our forehead before the holy chrism has been wiped off by a Priest.

Q. What ought we to do after receiving Confirmation?

A. We ought to thank God for the Grace which he has bestowed on us, consecrate the whole of our being to the Holy Ghost, and beseech him to preserve in our souls the abundance of graces which he has communicated to us.

Q. Make an act to this purpose!

A. I return thee my most hearty thanks, O Divine Spirit, for having confirmed me in the quality of a Christian: I consecrate myself to thy service without reserve: do with me whatever thou desirest; and never allow me to be so wretched as to forfeit the precious gifts with which thou hast been pleased to enrich my soul. Amen.

Q. What are the particular obligations of those who have been confirmed?

A. They are particularly bound not to be ashamed of confessing the faith of Jesus Christ, and of following the maxims of his gospel.