A PLAIN AND SHORT

CATECHISM ON CONFIRMATION.

I. What do you mean by the word confirming?

Strengthening or establishing,

2. Why is the service of confirmation so called?

Because in it we confirm or establish the promise and vow made for us in baptism.

3. Can you give another reason?

Because in that service the Bishop, by prayer and laying on of his hands, seeks to confirm and establish us in the resolution so to do; and chiefly, because the grace of God the Holy Ghost is therein sought for and relied upon by the faithful for the effectual confirmation of the whole.

4. What, then, is the special duty of

those who are confirmed?

Openly before the Church to take upon themselves the promise and vow made for them in their baptism.