#### Receive upon returning from the celebration of Reconciliation on Saturday evening.

- 2. Privately pray the words of commitment on the front. Prayerfully listen to the words of the Lord on the inside.
- 3. Place in bible. The Commitment Prayer is read together at the Offertory of Saturday liturgy.
- 4. At appropriate time on Sunday, you will be instructed to prepare and write you own personal commitment to the Lord on the inside of the handout.
- 5. You will read this personal commitment immediately before receiving the Body of Christ at the liturgy on Sunday.
- 6. Bring this Commitment Sheet to the Evening of Discipleship.
- 7. Read the Commitment Prayer together during that evening.

### CRHP RENEWAL WEEKEND Handout #1

### MY PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO JESUS CHRIST

"He has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins."

(Col. 1:13-14)

Jesus, I believe you are the son of God.

I believe you died for me, to free me from my sins.

I believe you rose to bring me new life.

I believe that you are my Savior.

Here I am, Lord,

Standing in weakness and in need.

Help me in my selfishness and unbelief.

Lord, Jesus Christ,

I want to belong to you from now on.

I want to be completely freed from the dominion of darkness and the rule of Satan.

I want to live fully in your light.

I ask you, Jesus,

To take possession of my life;

To forgive, heal, nourish and transform me into your disciple.

Come, Lord Jesus, into my heart!

(All participants read this together at Presentation of the Gifts of Saturday Evening Liturgy.)

## SPEAK TO ME, LORD, IN YOUR OWN WORD

2 Corintbians 5:17 When someone becomes a Christian he is a brand new person inside. He is not the same any more. A new life has begun!

I Peter 1:23 For you have a new life. It was not passed to you from your parents, for the life they gave you will fade away. This new one will last forever, for it comes from Christ, God's ever-living Message to men.

Colossians 3:10-11 You are living a brand new kind of life that is continually learning more and more of what is right, and trying constantly to be more and more like Christ who created this new life within you. In this new life one's nationality or race or education or social position is unimportant; such things mean nothing. Whether a person has Christ is what matters, and he is equally available to all.

Philippians 3:8-9 Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the priceless gain of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. I have put aside all else, counting it worth less than nothing, in order that I can have Christ, and become one with him, no longer counting on being saved by being good enough or by obeying God's laws, but by trusting Christ to save me; for God's way of making us right with himself depends on faith — counting on Christ alone.

Ephesians 3:17-19 And I pray that Christ will be more and more at home in your hearts, living within you as you trust in him. May your roots go down deep into the soil of God's marvelous love; and may you be able to feel and understand, as all God's children should, how long, how wide, how deep, and how high his love really is; and to experience this love for yourselves, though it is so great that you will never see the end of it or fully know or understand it. And so at last you will be filled up with God himself.

Reflect upon these scripture passages after personal reception of the sacrament of Penance and before writing your Personal Commitment to Jesus on opposite page.

# PERSONAL STATEMENT OF MY COMMITMENT TO JESUS

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(To be read quietly to Jesus as He is presented to you by the priest at Communion of the Sunday Liturgy)