



A large group of youths and young adults received the Sacrament of Confirmation during the Sunday morning Mass at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Imperial. Following the ceremony, the Confirmands, families and St. Patrick parishioners joined them for dinner at the parish's new hall. Bishop Fabian Bruskewicz of Lincoln, at right, administered the sacrament with church pastor, Fr. Bernard Lorenz, at left. Members of the 2009 Confirmation class include, front from left, Luis Frias, Abigail Almanza, Molly Luhrs, Melany Morales, Vianey Marquez, Dawn Castle, Rose Sullivan, Eric Chavira, Nolan Spady, Dakota Colton, middle row from left, Rogelio Vargas, Travis Luhrs, Kevin Chavira, Jackie Frias, Adreina Marquez, Jessica Hartman, Fidel Perdomo, Claire Kunne, Regan Gittlein, back from left, Jeffrey Dickey, Valeria Cervantes, MaKenna Ketter, Paige Spady, Mindy Castle, Alexa Bernhardt and Preston Bernhardt. Not pictured—Elizabeth Montes and Ivan Bueno. (Republican photo)