# Heroic Confidence

### **Trusted Teacher**

We all need a teacher in whom we can have confidence. Jesus gave us this teacher when He founded the Catholic Church. You can have confidence that Jesus Christ founded and guides the Catholic Church. And even when you don't understand a teaching...or if you fail to live up to the teachings of the Church, this is where you belong.

# **Discussion Questions**

- 1. What is one thing that you love about your home parish? Why? Discuss.
- 2. We all need a teacher in whom we can have confidence. Jesus has given us this teacher in the Catholic Church. If I have confidence in Jesus, I should be able to trust His Church. Even though they know that, some people find this difficult. Why do you think that is?
- 3. If a person trusts the Bible, they are implicitly stating that they trust the Church, since the Catholic Church gave us the Bible. If the Church can err in matters of faith, then the Bible could be wrong. Why then do some people put more faith in the Bible than they do in the Church that gave us the Bible? Discuss.
- 4. Have you ever felt discontented in your Catholic faith? Could this be a sign from God that He was calling you to act? To lead through service rather than leave? Why or why not?
- 5. If you have been brought into the Church that Jesus founded, when you act, the Church acts. Where is Jesus calling the Church to act in your life or your community? Discuss.

## **God in Real Life**

I. This week, pray for the grace to have heroic confidence in the Catholic Church founded by Jesus Christ. If there is a particular teaching that you struggle with, seek to cultivate a spirit of teachability.

#### To the Heart

"...if I should be delayed, you should know how to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of truth."  $\sim 1$  Timothy 3:15