**In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.**

**second semester/ grade 8**

**Name: Worksheet: 2**

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**The sacrament of the priesthood**

**“He who hears you hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me, rejects Him who sent Me” (Luke10: 16)**

**Q1: Define the sacrament of the priesthood.**

It is the sacrament that Lord Jesus granted to the apostles when He chose them and sent them to preach after the Holy Spirit came upon them.

**Q2: How is the ordination ceremony of a priest accomplished? And why?**

By placing the hand of the bishop (metropolitan) on his head in order to give him the authority to perform the sacred sacraments.

**Q3: Write and explain the priestly ranks.**

1- **Deacon**: means the assistant to the bishop or priest, which is the first degree of priesthood, and he is not allowed to complete the sacraments in the church.

2- **The priest**: He completes all the sacraments in the church, preaches and explains the Holy Book. He is not allowed to ordained bishops (metropolitans).

3- **The bishop:** He is the head of the church, and he is the one who ordains the priests and is responsible for the parish.

**Q4: When is the priest's ordination ceremony completed?**

His ordination takes place during the Divine Liturgy.

**Q5: Write down some of the qualities that priests should have.**

1- To be a faithful servant of God

2- To be a light to the world

3- To be humble and loving to all without discrimination

4- He should not live for himself, but for Jesus Christ

5- To apply the teachings of the Lord Jesus in his life

**Q6: Define the following concepts related to the services performed by a priest**:

1- **The service:** that is, the service of preching the word of Jesus to all people.

2- **The service of the** **sacraments**: that is, the service of carrying out the sacraments of the church.

3- **Serving the parish:** the priest is the visible head of the church who cares with his love for the parishioners.

**Important note: Lord Jesus is the invisible head of the church**