



# First Sacraments Preparation 2022-2023

*First Reconciliation & First Eucharist*

## *Key Dates & Paperwork Information*



### **First Reconciliation Preparation (Fall Semester)**

#### **At-Home Lessons (8 Lessons)**

During the fall, the parent and child should work together at their own pace to complete the 8 lessons. Parents can opt to utilize the parent guide to teach the lesson and/or utilize the online platform that has a 20 minute interactive session per lesson. Lesson worksheets, parent guide, Bible, etc. are all in the blue draw-string bag.

#### **Video Presentation (16 Minutes) - <https://tinyurl.com/4xscx92k>**

As you prepare for the Sacrament, sit down and watch this video with your child. It is a short presentation about the Sacrament and some wonderful Q&A questions from kids with Fr. Paul answering.

#### **December 3, 2022 from 8:30am-12:00pm - Morning Retreat**

Youth gather with at least one parent/guardian for a morning retreat (3.5 hours). If you cannot make the full retreat, please contact Kayla beforehand to arrange for an alternative at-home option.

#### **First Reconciliation—Reception of the Sacrament**

Once you feel your child is prepared and ready to partake in the Sacrament of Reconciliation you can opt to attend either a Parish Reconciliation Service (Advent's is on 12/5/22 and Lent's is on 3/6/23) or a regular Saturday Confession at 3:30pm. Contact Kayla to notify her when the Sacrament has been completed. It must be completed prior to the reception of First Eucharist at the end of April.

### **First Eucharist Preparation (Spring Semester)**

#### **At-Home Lessons (10 Lessons)**

During the winter/spring, the parent and child should work together at their own pace to complete the 10 lessons. Parents can opt to utilize the parent guide to teach the lesson and/or utilize the online platform that has a 20 minute interactive session per lesson.

#### **January 28, 2023 from 8:30am-12:00pm - Morning Retreat**

Youth gather with at least one parent/guardian for a morning retreat (3.5 hours). If you cannot make the full retreat, please contact Kayla beforehand to arrange for an alternative at-home option.

#### **April 27, 2023 at 6:00pm - First Eucharist Rehearsal**

A presentation reinforcing the TRUE presence of Jesus in the Eucharist will be given as well as practicing the reception of unconsecrated bread and wine. We will also cover logistics and where to sit, etc.

#### **April 29-30, 2023 - First Eucharist Weekend (Multiple Mass Options)**

We celebrate the reception of First Eucharist this weekend. In the Spring of 2023, families will be sent a sign-up link to select their Mass time for First Eucharist.

### **Paperwork - Due by December 1, 2022**

**Online Record Form** - <https://tinyurl.com/3d2mxw4f>

**Baptismal Certificate** - If your child was not Baptized at St. Joseph, please submit a copy to the Parish office.

Questions? Contact [Kayla.Rooney@StJosephCommunity.org](mailto:Kayla.Rooney@StJosephCommunity.org) or 651-313-8464