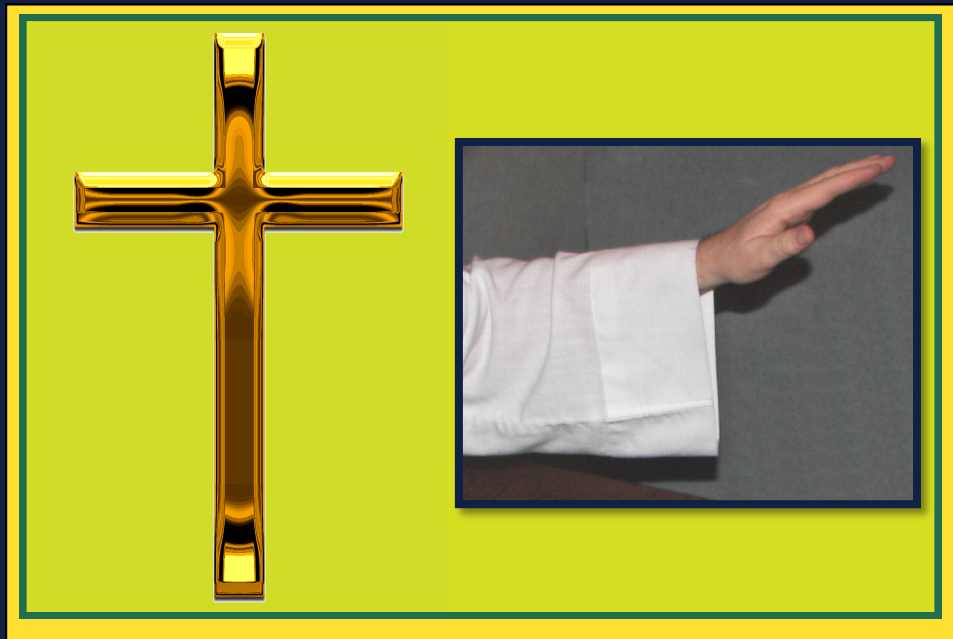




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# Sacramental Guidelines

## First Reconciliation 2022



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# Letter to Parents



September 2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 sacramental year for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist! It is so refreshing to get back to “normal” this year. We will kick off the year with a Parent & Child Dinner (at least one parent needs to attend). This dinner will be held on Thursday, October 13, 2022 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Community Room. After a pizza dinner, the children will go to the Youth Room (Rm. 15) for a fun activity based around forgiveness. The parents will stay in the Community Room for a short talk on the Sacrament of Reconciliation by Fr. Jack Wehman.

I will then give a short presentation about what to expect for the year. Parents will be able to register their child for one of two Reconciliation Workshops. Please look carefully at the dates in this booklet as children will be expected to attend the entire workshop and will not be able to leave early.

The second booklet addresses the Sacrament of First Eucharist. There will be a Parent & Child Dinner on January 19, 2023 in the Community Room, that at least one parent needs to attend with their child. After dinner, Bishop Binzer will give a short presentation on the Eucharist while the children attend a separate activity in the Youth Room (Rm. 15).

Parents, you will be able to register your child for one of three different First Eucharist sessions/celebrations. Registration for these three separate sessions/celebrations will not be available until the dinner.

Once again, please read the First Eucharist booklet and pick your dates carefully. I look forward to seeing all of you in October!

God bless,

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## Guidelines

- Children must be baptized before they make their First Eucharist. If they have been baptized in a different faith, they must be received into the Catholic Church before they receive the sacrament. Please contact Nancy Dallas, Coordinator of Sacramental Preparation & Liturgy of the Word, at 489-8815 ext. 761 to discuss.
- Families need to be registered members of The Community of the Good Shepherd.
- Children must be registered and attending either the Weekly Faith Formation program, or have attended the second grade Summer Faith Formation program.
- Before your child can receive First Eucharist, he/she must have been prepared to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Children should be **at least seven** years old.

## Parent & Child Dinner Presentation

Children are ready to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation when they understand the need to say “I am sorry,” are able to accept another's apology, and they are able to recognize when they hurt others.

**Date:** Thursday, October 13, 2022

**Time:** 6:00-7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Community Room (enter building from outside through door #2 or #3)

**Details:**

- Parents & children attend the dinner. **At least one parent must attend.**
- There will be a short presentation for the parents immediately following the dinner while the children enjoy a separate activity.

**Registration:** Please register for the dinner online by **Tuesday, October 11, 2022.**



# First Reconciliation

## First Reconciliation I Workshop

**Date:** Saturday, October 22, 2022

**Time:** 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Parents do not attend this workshop, but join children at 11:00 a.m. in the church.

**Location:** Church (enter building from outside through door #1 - main entrance)

**Details:**

- Children attend **either** workshop I or II, but **not both**.

## First Reconciliation II Workshop

**Date:** Saturday, October 29, 2022

**Time:** 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Parents do not attend this workshop, but join children at 11:00 a.m. in the church.

**Location:** Church (enter building from outside through door #1 - main entrance)

**Details:**

- Children attend **either** workshop I or II, but **not both**.

## Children's First Reconciliation Service

**Date:** Thursday, November 3, 2022

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Church (enter building from outside through door #1 - main entrance)

**Details:**

- Children and parents are to attend this special First Reconciliation Service.
- If your child is unable to attend the First Reconciliation Service, your child may attend individual confessions which are held on Tuesdays in the church from 5:30-6:15 p.m. **Please notify Nancy Dallas (contact information listed below) if you are not able to attend this Reconciliation Service.**

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