

**2023 – 2024 Saint Joseph Parish Religious Education Calendar**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION YEAR I (FIRST GRADE) AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION YEAR II  
(SECOND GRADE) SJS AND REP STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION YEAR II (SECOND GRADE) SJS AND REP STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

**CONFIRMATION YEAR I (SEVENTH GRADE) SJS AND REP STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

**CONFIRMATION YEAR II (EIGHTH GRADE) SJS AND REP STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

**REP STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND CATECHISTS**

**SJS STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND TEACHERS**

**REP & SJS ADULT CATECHISTS ONLY**

**ALL SJS AND REP PARISHIONERS OF SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH**

<i>Month</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Day of the Week</i>	<i>Event</i>
<b>August</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Beginning of the year catechist meeting and dinner at 6:00 PM in the PL&amp;EC (Cafeteria)</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saturday/Sunday</b>	<b>Catechetical Sunday – Theme: “Come to me all you who labor and are burdened” (Blessing for REP Catechists and SJS Teachers at ALL weekend Masses) <u>ALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL FAMILIES ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND MASS THIS WEEKEND</u></b>
<b>October</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>REP Fire Drill for BOTH the 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM Sessions</b>
<b>October</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saturday – Thursday</b>	<b>Parish Mission – Title: “The Most Holy Eucharist: Gift and Sacrament” <u>ALL REP AND SJS FAMILIES ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND AT LEAST ONE OF THE CONFERENCES HELD IN THE CHURCH</u></b>
<b>November</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b><u>OPTION ONE</u> ONE DAY Workshop for First Holy Communion Year I (First Grade) &amp; Year II (Second Grade) parents and guardians from 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM in Brindle Hall <i>[If selected, at least ONE parent or guardian is REQUIRED to attend the ENTIRE session.]</i></b>
<b>November</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b><u>OPTION TWO</u> PART ONE OF THREE SESSIONS Workshop for First Holy Communion Year I (First Grade) &amp; Year II (Second Grade) parents and guardians from 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM <u>OR</u> 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM (Held in the Lee Horan Room) <i>[If selected, at least ONE parent or guardian is REQUIRED to attend ALL THREE of these sessions.]</i></b>

November	13 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	<p><b>OPTION TWO (continued)</b>  <b>PART TWO OF THREE SESSIONS</b>  Workshop for First Holy Communion Year I (First Grade) &amp; Year II (Second Grade) parents and guardians from 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM <u>OR</u> 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM (Held in the Lee Horan Room)  <i>[If selected, at least ONE parent or guardian is REQUIRED to attend ALL THREE of these sessions.]</i></p>
November	20 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	<p><b>OPTION TWO (continued)</b>  <b>PART THREE OF THREE SESSIONS</b>  Workshop for First Holy Communion Year I (First Grade) &amp; Year II (Second Grade) parents and guardians from 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM <u>OR</u> 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM (Held in the Lee Horan Room)  <i>[If selected, at least ONE parent or guardian is REQUIRED to attend ALL THREE of these sessions.]</i></p>
December	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Saturday	<p><b>First Reconciliation for First Holy Communion Year II students (Second Grade) following the 4:00 PM Mass (will take place in the church)</b></p>
December	4 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	<p><b>Advent REP Penance Service (in the church) followed by “Safe Environment” Lesson (in the classrooms) for BOTH the 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM Sessions</b></p>
December	9 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	<p><b>First Reconciliation for First Holy Communion Year II students (Second Grade) following the 4:00 PM Mass (will take place in the church)</b></p>
December	12 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	<p><b>Advent SJS Penance Service (10:00 AM in the church)</b></p>
December	16 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	<p><b>First Reconciliation for First Holy Communion Year II students (Second Grade) following the 4:00 PM Mass (will take place in the church)</b></p>
February	25 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	<p><b>First Holy Communion Year II (Second Grade) Rite of Recognition DURING the 11:30 AM Mass</b></p>
March	9 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	<p><b>First Holy Communion Retreat in Brindle Hall from 12:00 PM – 3:30 PM (4:00 PM Mass attendance is REQUIRED)</b></p>
March	9 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	<p><b>OPTION THREE</b>  <b>ONE DAY Workshop for First Holy Communion Year I (First Grade) &amp; Year II (Second Grade) parents and guardians from 12:00 PM – 3:30 PM in SJS library</b>  <i>[If selected, at least ONE parent or guardian is REQUIRED to attend the ENTIRE session.]</i></p>
March	11 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	<p><b>Lenten REP Penance Service (in the church) followed by MAKE-UP “Safe Environment” Lesson (in the classrooms) for BOTH the 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM Session</b></p>

March	12 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	Lenten SJS Penance Service (10:00 AM in the church)
March	24 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Confirmation Year I (Seventh Grade) Rite of Entrance DURING the 11:30 AM Mass
April	10 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	OPTIONAL First Holy Communion Individual Photographs (5:00 PM – 8:00 PM in the church)
April	13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday/Sunday	First Holy Communion DURING ALL weekend Masses
April	27 <sup>th</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday/Sunday	First Holy Communion DURING ALL weekend Masses
May	12 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	First Holy Communion May Crowning DURING the 11:30 AM Mass (with a group picture following Mass)
May	13 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	End of the Year Catechist Dinner at 6:00 PM in the PL&EC (Cafeteria)
June	7 <sup>th</sup>	Friday	ALL CONFIRMATION PAPERWORK [Sponsor Eligibility Form (from THE SPONSOR'S HOME PARISH), Candidate's Letter to the Bishop, and Corporal Works of Mercy Verification Forms] MUST be submitted to the Religious Education Office NO LATER than this date for ALL Confirmation Year II (Eighth Grade) students
June	9 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday – Thursday	Vacation Bible School
June	Individually Scheduled	Individually Scheduled	BOTH SJS and REP Confirmation Interviews
June	16 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Confirmation Year II (Eighth Grade) Rite of Recognition DURING the 11:30 AM Mass followed by "Food and Fellowship" in the school cafeteria/gym until 2:00 PM (ALL Confirmation Year II students are encouraged to attend all three options, but are REQUIRED to attend at least ONE.)
July	28 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Confirmation Year II (Eighth Grade) Rite of Recognition DURING the 11:30 AM Mass followed by "Food and Fellowship" in the school cafeteria/gym until 2:00 PM (ALL Confirmation Year II students are encouraged to attend all three options, but are REQUIRED to attend at least ONE.)
August	11 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	Confirmation Year II (Eighth Grade) Rite of Recognition DURING the 11:30 AM Mass followed by "Food and Fellowship" in the school cafeteria/gym until 2:00 PM (ALL Confirmation Year II students are encouraged to attend all three options, but are REQUIRED to attend at least ONE.)
Fall 2024	TBD	TBD	Confirmation Rehearsal/Retreat
Fall 2024	TBD	TBD	Confirmation Mass