***Welcome to this exciting time of preparing your child(ren) for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist! As you look through the chart, keep in mind the following:***

* ***The U.S. Bishops ask*** *that children be prepared for the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to preparation for First Eucharist (Communion).*
* ***Vacations:*** *Plan your vacations so that you do not miss the parent sessions, First Reconciliation evening, and First Communion retreat.*
* ***Questions:*** *Contact Nichole Chang, Elementary Faith Formation Coordinator 763-762-7370 or* [*nicholechang@saintvdp.org*](mailto:nicholechang@saintvdp.org) *.*

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| [Reconciliation](http://bp1.blogger.com/_0AH0Hcf7UmM/R6-aIc1T9xI/AAAAAAAAABQ/g8r9uunrLvs/s1600-h/Reconciliation.jpg)First Reconciliation *(Penance/Confession)*  Reconciliation 4.jpg  *The U.S. Bishops ask that children be prepared for the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to preparation for First Eucharist (Communion).* | |
| Requirement | **Date Due** |
| Mass | Go to Mass every Sunday (Sat. eve.) |
| Parent Session: Attend one of the two sessions: Regan Hall   * Monday, November 11, at 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm * Wednesday, November 13, at 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm | Monday, November 11 or  Wednesday, November 13 |
| Sacramental Information Form   * Received at Parent Session. | Wednesday, December 11 |
| Child’s Baptismal Certificate   * If your child was NOT baptized at St. Vincent’s, a newly issued Baptismal Certificate with embossed seal from Church of Baptism must be requested from the Church of Baptism. * If baptized in another faith, your child will need to make a profession of faith at a time to be determined, prior to receiving their First Eucharist. | Wednesday, December 11 |
| *Family Formation – First Reconciliation Home Lesson Book*:   * Picked up at parent sessions on November 11 or 13. * Be sure all pages are completed. * Turn the book in to:   + St. Vincent de Paul School: Your child’s teacher   + Faith Formation: Your child’s catechist   + Home Study or another Catholic School: Parish Office | Wednesday, January 8 |
| First Reconciliation Celebration: New format, details at meeting.   * 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the Church | Wednesday, January 22 |
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| First Eucharist *(Communion)*  Eucharist 4.jpg  Eucharist 1.jpg | |
| Requirement | **Date Due** |
| Mass | Go to Mass every Sunday (Sat. eve.) |
| Preparation and Reception for First Reconciliation Completed. | Before First Eucharist |
| Parent Session: Attend one of the two sessions: Regan Hall   * Monday, February 24, at 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm * Wednesday, February 26, at 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm | Monday, February 24 or  Wednesday, February 26 |
| Register for First Communion Date and Mass Time:   * Register ONLINE: at saintvdp.org/first-eucharist-mass-sign-up * Opens Thursday, February 27 at 8:00 am. | **Register No LATER than**  **Friday March 14** |
| First Communion Retreat: Regan Hall. *At least one parent/guardian must attend with child.*   * Monday, April 21, at 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm   SVDP & Other Catholic School families will attend the April 21st retreat.   * Wednesday, April 23, at 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm   Family Faith Formation will the attend the April 23rd retreat.   * If your family is not able to attend the above assigned retreat, please contact Nichole Chang at: [nicholechang@saintvdp.org](mailto:nicholechang@saintvdp.org). | Monday, April 21 or  Wednesday, April 23 |
| First Eucharist Banner:   * Directions and felt piece given out at parent sessions in February. * Turn in at the parent/child First Communion retreat. | Monday, April 21 or  Wednesday, April 23 |
| *Family Formation – First Eucharist Home Lesson Book*:   * Picked up at parent session in February. * Be sure all pages are completed. (Please have your child write in answers on the pages.) * Turn in your book at the First Communion Retreat. | Monday, April 21 or  Wednesday, April 23 |
| First Communion Mass Schedule:  More details for the First Communion Mass will be given out at a later date. | |
| Saturday, May 3 at 5:00 pm | |
| Sunday, May 4 at 9:00 am | |
| Sunday, May 4 at 11:00 am | |