***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* *.*

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| ReconciliationFirst 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 orWednesday, 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.jpgEucharist 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 orWednesday, 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.
 | 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 orWednesday, 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 |