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Sacramental Preparation Information 2010-11

For parents and guardians registering children for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation.

General Information – September 2010


As a new school year opens, Catholic children are invited to register for Sacramental preparation at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. The sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist is available for children in **Gr. 2** or older, and Confirmation is available for children in **Gr. 6** or older. If you are intending to register your child in one of these sacraments please take note of the following:



If Your Child is a Baptized Catholic:

- Have you registered your family with Holy Trinity Parish? If you are in doubt of having registered with the Parish please call the Parish office (780-960-0135) as it can be easily checked.
- Was your child baptized at Holy Trinity (or the former separate parishes of St. Joseph's in Stony Plain, and OLPH in Spruce Grove)? **If your child was baptized at another parish we will need a copy of his/her baptismal certificate. Please bring a photocopy to the registration meeting.**

If Your Child Has NOT Been Baptized or Has Been Baptized in Another Christian Faith:

- And you wish for your child to be baptized and to receive his/her sacraments please contact the parish office for the required program. If your child has already been baptized in another Christian Faith but would like to be received into the Catholic Church and to continue growing in their faith, please contact the parish office (780-960-0135) regarding a Profession of Faith.

	First Reconciliation – Important Dates Gr. 2 or Older
Saturday September 18th and 19th following all Masses	Registration Meeting: Please be sure to bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if they were baptized outside of this parish.
Sunday March 6th at 2:30pm or Thursday March 10th at 6pm	Meeting: This is a mandatory meeting for both parent and child. We will take time to reflect on what the children have been learning. Please make sure that your children have been registered and are already working on the required workbook.
Wednesday March 16th at 6:30pm	Ceremony

	<h2 style="text-align: center;">First Eucharist – Important Dates</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Gr. 2 and Older</p>
<p>Saturday September 18th and 19th following all Masses</p>	<p>Registration: Only children who have received the sacrament of Reconciliation or who are to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation this year may be registered for 1st Communion. If your child was baptized <i>and</i> received his/her first Reconciliation in another parish then a copy of their baptismal certificate is required.</p>
<p>Sunday May 5th at 2:30pm OR Tuesday May 7th at 6pm.</p>	<p>Retreat: This is a mandatory meeting for both parent and child where we will take time to reflect on what the children have been learning. Please make sure that your children have been registered and are already working on the required workbook and that they have received the sacrament of Reconciliation. YOUR CHILD ALSO MUST BOOK A ONE ON ONE INTERVIEW WITH ANNE UPON COMPLETION OF HIS/HER BOOK.</p>
<p>June 9th at 7pm</p>	<p>Tour of the Church: We will be taking the children on a tour of the church to help them become more acquainted with their surroundings. We will also be walking through the ceremony so that the children know what to expect. ONE ON ONE INTERVIEWS SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THIS TIME.</p>
<p>Saturday June 25th or Sunday June 26th .</p>	<p>Ceremony: Please be sure that you have informed Anne whether your children will be receiving their 1st Communion at the 5pm Mass on Saturday or the 11am Mass Sunday. Please note that the parish celebrates 1st Communions on the weekend that celebrates the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. It is for this reason the dates are earlier some years and much later on others.</p>
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Confirmation – Important Dates</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Gr. 6 or Older</p>
<p>Saturday September 18th and 19th following all Masses</p>	<p>Registration: Please bring a copy of your child’s baptismal certificate as well as a wallet-sized picture. Please make note: If your child attends JPII, Meridian Heights or is Homeschooled he/she will be attending the Mon. evening classes. Students from St. Marg’s and all other schools will be attending the Tues. evening classes. Class schedules will be included as an insert in the children’s workbooks.</p>
<p>Monday Oct 4th or Tuesday Oct 5th . All classes begin with Mass at 6:00pm in the Church– the lesson follows directly after in the Parish Hall.</p>	<p>1st Class: Books will be checked on a monthly basis for completion. Books must be up to date unless otherwise discussed between Anne and parent. Please note that due to holidays and the division of weeks the Monday and Tuesday classes will not always fall on the same week each month. Please pay close attention to the class schedule posted on the website or given in your children’s workbooks.</p>
<p>Mon. Nov 1st or Tues. Nov. 2nd</p>	<p>2nd Class</p>
<p>Mon Dec. 6th or Tues Nov. 7th</p>	<p>3rd Class</p>
<p>Mon Jan. 4th or Tues Jan 5th .</p>	<p>4th Class</p>
<p>Mon Feb 7th or Tues Feb 1st</p>	<p>5th Class Please Note that the Tuesday class will be held a week before the Monday class.</p>
<p>Mon March 7th or Tues March 1st</p>	<p>6th Class Please Note that the Tuesday class will be held a week before the Monday class.</p>
<p>Mon April 4th or Tues April 5th</p>	<p>7th Class</p>
<p>SATURDAY APRIL 30TH ALL DAY</p>	<p>Retreat: This retreat is mandatory and runs from 9:45am to 6:00pm on Saturday. Completed books will be turned in.</p>
<p>Mon May 2nd or Tues May 3rd .</p>	<p>Practice ceremony and preparatory comments. Sponsors should come with the Confirmands.</p>
<p>Tuesday May 24th at 7pm.</p>	<p>Ceremony: Confirmands and Sponsors should be there by 6:30pm</p>