

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
2017-2018

FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION

A DONATION FOR BOOKS, MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES IS ENCOURAGED

\$30 PER STUDENT

- The age for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation & Holy Communion will be the age of reason, or generally 7 years of age.
- Parents are the primary educators of children in the Catholic faith and should take an active part in their child's First Reconciliation & Holy Communion preparation
- Parents should make every effort to attend Mass with their children on a regular basis to give witness to the faith and to fulfill their weekend Mass obligation as laid out by Pope Paul VI.
- Families should make every attempt to register in the parish – This may be done at the same time as registration for the Faith Formation classes for your convenience.
- Students must attend the required Faith Formation classes on Wednesday nights in addition to the required Sacramental classes.
- A Parent/Guardian must present a copy of their Baptismal Certificate of the student to receive Holy Communion for our records *if not done previously*.
- Students will be prepared to receive both the sacraments of First Reconciliation & Holy Communion.

RECONCILIATION PREPARATION:

- **Parent and Student Meeting:** Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 2:00 pm
- **Classes will meet on Sunday Mornings (10-11 AM)**
Sunday, November 5, 12, December 3, 10, 17 and January 14, 21
- **Family Retreat:** Sunday, January 28, 2017 (2-4 PM)
- **First Reconciliation Celebration:** Saturday, February 10, 2018 (9 am -12 pm)

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION:

- **Parent and Student Meeting:** Sunday, February 11, 2018 at 2:00 pm
- **Classes will meet on Sunday Mornings (10-11 AM)**
Sunday, February 18, 25, March 4, 18, 25, April 8, 15
- **Family Retreat:** Sunday, April 22, 2018 (2-4 PM)
- **Rehearsals:** 9 am Mass - Thursday, April 26, 2018 (6-8pm)
11 am Mass - Friday, April 27, 2018 (6-8pm)
- **First Communion Celebrations:** Sunday, April 29, 2018
English Mass – 9 am
Spanish Mass – 11 am