

FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION
2016-2017

First Communion Student's Name _____
Parent's Name _____

Dear Parent,

St Henry Religious Education program invites you to register your child for our First Reconciliation and First Eucharist preparation program.

As parents or guardians, you brought your child to the Roman Catholic community for Baptism and at that time you were reminded that you were to be the first teachers in the ways of faith. Your child's Baptism provided an opportunity for you to consider the importance of the sacramental life of the Church in your family. This time of preparation for First Reconciliation and Eucharist invites you to reflect further. Now we invite you to accompany your child /children as they prepare to join with us at the table of the Lord and receive their First Communion.

We want to do all we can to help prepare your child/children for these important events. First Reconciliation will be celebrated on November 17th, 2016 at 7 PM. First Communion will be celebrated on April 30th, 2017 at 2pm.

Please make sure you follow the yearly schedule for important meetings. At these meetings we will discuss the meaning of the sacrament, as well as offer some practical ideas that will help you to prepare your child/children at home. We will review details about the preparation of First Reconciliation and First Communion. Our First Reconciliation Parent meeting is Thursday, November 3rd, 2016 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall. Our First Communion Parent meeting is Monday, April 3rd, 2017 at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The preparation program will have many opportunities for the parents, students, and catechists to work together in preparing the children both academically and spiritually.

By writing down the reasons that motivated you to consider this decision and sharing them with your child you take the first step toward the celebration of Jesus' Love for them in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharist.

I have prayerfully considered the decision to encourage my child to enter the First Reconciliation and First Communion process. I have shared with my child the importance and the Sacrament of First Communion. I commit myself to work with my child in exploring the weekly scriptures and identifying people who exemplify Christ. I will join my son/daughter to complete all of the preparation requirements.

Parent Signature _____
Date _____