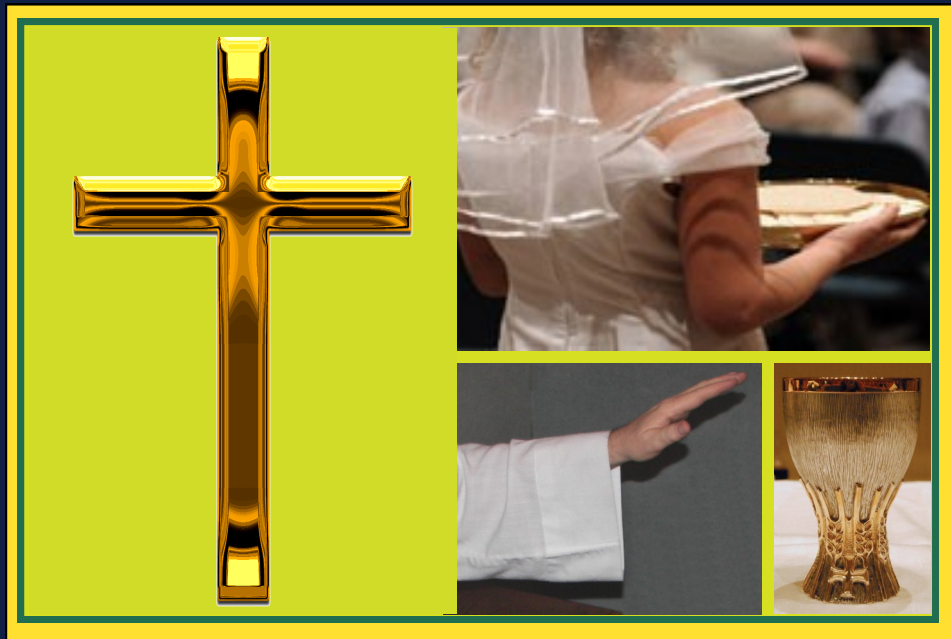




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# Sacramental Guidelines

First Reconciliation  
2020-2021



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# Letter to Parents



September 2020

Dear Parents,

This year has been full of challenges for all of us. We know the start of the 2020-2021 sacramental year will look different from other years, and we know the second part is still uncertain. Due to this uncertainty, we are publishing our Sacramental Guidelines booklet in two parts. The first part will address the children's First Reconciliation preparation and reception of the Sacrament. The second part will address the children's First Eucharist—this will be published sometime in either December 2020 or January 2021.

There are two workshops for you to choose from and two Reconciliation Services to choose from.

Our workshops will have a limited number of children in each room practicing social distancing. Both the children and teachers will wear masks. No group activities will be held.

Please look carefully at this booklet and pick which workshop and service works best for your family.

God bless,

Nancy Dallas  
Coordinator of Sacramental Preparation &  
Liturgy of the Word

## Guidelines

- Children must be baptized before they make their First Eucharist. If they have been baptized in a different faith, they must be received into the Catholic Church before they receive the sacrament. Please contact Nancy Dallas, Coordinator of Sacramental Preparation & Liturgy of the Word, at 489-8815 ext. 761 to discuss.
- Families need to be registered members of The Community of the Good Shepherd.
- Children must be registered and attending either the Weekly Faith Formation program, or have attended the second grade Summer Faith Formation program.
- Before your child can receive First Eucharist, he/she must have been prepared to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Children should be **at least seven** years old.

## First Reconciliation

### First Reconciliation I Workshop

**Date:** Saturday, October 24, 2020

**Time:** 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Parents do not attend this workshop, but join children at 11:00 a.m. in the church.

**Location:** Church (enter building from outside through door #1 - main entrance)

#### Details:

- Children attend **either** workshop I or II, but **not both**.

# First Reconciliation I (cont.)

## First Reconciliation II Workshop

**Date:** Saturday, October 31, 2020

**Time:** 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Parents do not attend this workshop, but join children at 11:00 a.m. in the church.

**Location:** Church (enter building from outside through door #1 - main entrance)

### Details:

- Children attend **either** workshop I or II, but **not both**.

## Children's First Reconciliation Service I

**Date:** Thursday, November 5, 2020

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Church (enter building from outside through door #1 - main entrance)

### Details:

- Children and parents are to attend this special First Reconciliation Service.
- If your child is unable to attend the First Reconciliation Service, your child may attend individual confessions which are held on Tuesdays in the church from 5:30-6:15 p.m.

## Children's First Reconciliation Service II

**Date:** Thursday, November 12, 2020

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Church (enter building from outside through door #1 - main entrance)

### Details:

- Children and parents are to attend this special First Reconciliation Service.
- If your child is unable to attend the First Reconciliation Service, your child may attend individual confessions which are held on Tuesdays in the church from 5:30-6:15 p.m.