



## **St. Mary of the Visitation Parish**

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

On behalf of the Parish Community of St. Mary of the Visitation, it is my pleasure to invite you to prepare your child to celebrate the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion.

As we continue to navigate our way through the Covid19 pandemic we will have to remain flexible in our plans and be patient with the ongoing nature of a situation that is out of our control.

We will not host a parent information meeting and so all registrations are to be completed online. Please go to the parish website: [www.stmaryhespeler.ca/grade-2-registration](http://www.stmaryhespeler.ca/grade-2-registration) to complete the online form. You will be required to provide a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if they were not baptized at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish.

In preparation for these sacraments, the children will follow the curriculum they receive in their classroom and there will be supplemental videos from the parish. I will also visit the children in their classroom. (As long as it is permissible.) As parents and caregivers, you also have a very important responsibility in preparing your children for the reception of these sacraments.

In light of the fact that the government of Ontario is envisioning the lifting of capacity restrictions in the near future, we will not set precise dates for the Sacramental celebrations at this time. The plan is to celebrate First Confession during March and the First Communions will be celebrated on Saturdays at the beginning of May. For those who register, we will have a process for sign-up in the new year.

Yours in Christ,

Father Ed Henhoeffer