

ORIGINAL ORDER NOTIFICATION

Our Diocese is in the process of restoring the original order of the reception of Confirmation to 2nd grade before the reception of the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist.

Please refer to the Diocesan Website for detailed information regarding this process <http://catholichawaii.org/catholic-essentials/original-order-sacraments-of-initiation/>

Norm #53. Content for Catechesis: For children baptized as infants, preliminary preparation takes place in the first grade or earlier and a more intentional and focused preparation for first Penance, Confirmation, and first Holy Communion takes place in the second grade.

Norm #72. Catechesis for Baptized Children Older than the Age of Discretion Needing to Receive Confirmation and First Holy Communion: In the case of baptized children who are older than the age of discretion, a catechetical approach tailored to their needs should be offered which should prepare them for Confirmation and first Holy Communion. The length of time required should consider the catechetical needs and faith experience of the person and parental and family involvement. A one-year catechesis plan is acceptable for those with a strong background of involvement in the faith and higher levels of parental and family participation. Pastors may extend the catechesis plan for children with no prior faith experience.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish and school was one of several parishes that implemented the restored order in 2018. All other parishes in the Diocese of Honolulu will complete this by 2020.

Below is information regarding the OLGC Comprehensive Youth Ministry for Middle School and High School programs, registration forms, and Frequently Asked Questions regarding Original Order.

If your son/daughter is in grades 1 - 5 and is in need of sacramental preparation, please refer to the Sacramental Preparation Information sheet [\(maybe insert a link to the sheet here\)](#) and contact the Parish Office (808) 455-3012.

IMPORTANT NOTE for OLGC parishioners who have children in any of the Catholic Schools and your son/daughter is in need of sacramental preparation: Parents you have the responsibility to notify both the school and the parish no later than **NOVEMBER 1, 2018** that your child is in need of preparation to receive any or all of the Sacraments of Initiation; Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion.