

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND FIRST PENANCE GUIDELINES

2021-2022



**ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
CLIFTON, VIRGINIA**

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." ~ John 6:3

Dear Parents,

September 2021

Welcome to St. Andrew the Apostle Sacramental Program for First Penance and First Holy Communion.

It is important that you review the attached forms and information sheets. Your cooperation in accurately completing the forms and returning them to the religious education office in a timely manner is greatly appreciated. You may deliver the requirements either in person, email (when appropriate) or mail by the due dates indicated.

The most important preparation for First Communion is done in the home and with your family. It is imperative to make it a priority to pray as a family, to place Our Blessed Lord at the center of your family life, and attend Holy Mass as a family on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

First Penance will be held on Saturday, February 5, 2022, at 10 am. Our priests have extended an invitation to your families to go to confession at that time as well. This is a beautiful opportunity for you to share in your child's special day! Our First Holy Communion Mass will be on Saturday, May 7, 2022, at 11 am. I would be happy to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have. It is my pleasure to serve you.

In Christ,
Patty Laing
Director of Religious Education

First Penance First Holy Communion Dates for Parents 2021-2022	
Mon., Dec. 6/Tue., Dec. 7	First Penance Retreat Permission Slip Due First Holy Communion Record Form & copy of child's Baptismal Certificate Due
Mon., Jan. 24/Tue., Jan 25	Midterm Exams for Religious Education students
Sat., Jan. 29, 8:45 am-1 pm	First Penance Retreat – One parent MUST attend 8:45-10:30 am
Sat., Feb. 5, 10 am arrival	First Penance 10 am – Parents and family members are encouraged to go to Confession
Mon., Mar. 21/Tues. Mar. 22	Family Priest form (if applicable) due back to RE office Flower Donation form (optional) due back to RE office FHC Retreat Permission Slip Due
Sat., Apr. 30, 8:45 am-1 pm	First Holy Communion Retreat and Rehearsal One parent MUST attend 8:45-10:30 am and return to attend the Rehearsal in Church 12:30 pm
Sat., May 7, 9:45 am Mass 11 am	First Holy Communion Students arrive no later than 9:45 am If your family would like individual photos plan to arrive 8:45 am in Msgr. Hannon Hall. (Reception tent.)
Sun., May 8, 8:45 am For 9 am Mass	FHC students arrive at 8:45 am in their FHC clothing and process in with Father prior to the start of Mass to crown the Blessed Virgin Mary statue.
Mon., May 9/ Tue., May 10	Final Exams for Religious Education Students
Mon., May 16, 5:30 pm	Final RE Class – Mass & Awards
Sun., June 19, 1:30 pm	Corpus Christi Procession following 12:30 Mass. FHC students are invited to come dressed in their FHC clothing and lead the procession

STUDENTS WILL ATTEND TWO RETREATS TO HELP PREPARE FOR THE SACRAMENTS

RETREAT SCHEDULES

FIRST PENANCE RETREAT – Saturday, January 29, 2022 Return permission slip by December 7, 2021 (pg. 12 of handbook)

8:45 am	Registration in the Vestibule	
9:00 am	Mass	
9:40 am	Church/Students Welcome and Talk on The Sacrament of Reconciliation	Parish Hall/Parents Coffee and Pastry <i>Role of the Parents</i> - Fr. Wagner
10:00 am	Church/Examination of Conscience and Mock Confession	
10:20 am	Church/Tour of Confessional	
10:40 am	Bathroom Break and Parish Hall/Snack – Review Rest of the Day – Patty Laing	
11:00 am	Parish Hall – Salvation Story – Mr. Spicer	
11:25 am	Parish Hall – Prodigal Son Story – Ms. Babauta	
11:50 am	Parish Hall – Angelus	
12 noon	Pick Up – Car begin lining up at the flag pole.	

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION RETREAT - Saturday, April 30, 2022 Please return permission slip by March 22, 2022 (pg. 13 of handbook)

8:45	Registration Vestibule		
9:00	Mass – all Church		
9:40	All Remain in Church – Talk on the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist – Fr. Wagner		
10:00	Vessels and Vestments – Fr. Smith		
10:20	Examination of Conscience – Fr. Smith		
10:30	Group A – Confessions (while ½ group going to confession other half go outside and pray rosary – walk outside if weather is good then switch)	10:30	Group B – Bathroom Break
		10:40	Snack – Parish Hall
		10:50	Ms. Babauta – The Mass
		11:10	Mr. Spicer – Reception of Holy Communion
		11:30	Bathroom Break
11:40	Group A – Bathroom Break	11:40	Group B – Confessions (25) (while ½ group going to confession other half go outside and pray rosary – walk outside if weather is good then switch)
11:50	Snack – Parish Hall		
12:00	Ms. Babauta – The Mass		
12:20	Mr. Spicer – Reception of Holy Communion		
12:40	Bathroom Break		
12:50	Parents Arrive All Students in Church – Enrollment in Brown Scapular		
1:00	Rehearsal (1 parent must attend the rehearsal)		
1:30	Dismissal		

PENANCE - A FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation or “Penance”

“Those who approach the Sacrament of Penance obtain pardon for God’s mercy for the offenses committed against Him, and are, at the same time, reconciled with the Church which they have wounded by their sins and which by charity, by example, and by prayer labors for their conversion.” (LG 11)

What are the names given for this Sacrament?

It is called the **Sacrament of Conversion** because it makes sacramentally present Jesus’ call to conversion, the first step in returning to the Father from whom one has strayed by sin.

It is called the **Sacrament of Penance**, since it consecrates the Christian sinner’s personal and ecclesial steps of conversion, penance, and satisfaction (CCC 1423).

It is called the **Sacrament of Confession**, since the disclosure or confession of sins to a priest is an essential element of this sacrament. In a profound sense it is also a “confession” - acknowledgment and praise - of the holiness of God and of His mercy toward sinful man.

It is called the **Sacrament of Forgiveness**, since by the priest’s sacramental absolution God grants the penitent “pardon and peace.”

It is also called the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** because it imparts to the sinner the love of God who reconciles: “Be reconciled to God.” He who lives by God’s merciful love is ready to respond to the Lord’s call: “Go; first be reconciled to your brother” Matthew 5:24 (CCC 1424).

Suggestions for Parents:

You began preparing your child for the Sacrament of Penance long ago. Every time your child has seen or experienced loving forgiveness in your home, he or she has understood a little more about God’s forgiving love. With the assistance of a catechist your child has begun a special preparation for the Sacrament of Penance. The preparation will focus on how God is a loving Father who forgives us if we just humble ourselves, repent, amend our lives, and return to Him in the sacraments.

Discuss this sacrament with your child. Remember to do more listening than talking during these discussion times. Your child may express feelings to you at home that may not have been mentioned in class. Be attentive and your child will make you aware of his/her thoughts. Please do not hesitate to contact your child’s catechist, the religious education office, or one of the parish priests if you need help or advice in handling any of these questions or concerns.

Help your child learn the Act of Contrition by simply saying it together once a day before dinner, or at bedtime. Also, help your child with a short examination of conscience (page 6).

✠ Take your child along as an interested observer when you go to Confession. It is a powerful example for a child to see his/her parent enter the confessional! All classes will visit the confessional prior to their first confession to get the students accustomed to the new environment.

✠ Role play “going to confession” - don’t use real sins-make up some false sins. Take turns with

your child being the priest and the penitent. Discuss the two possible options for going to confession; face-to-face or behind a screen. Help your child decide which way he/she wants to confess his or her sins.

✠ Teach your child that to sin is to say “No” to God. Make sure your child understands the difference between a mistake or accident, temptation, and sin by talking about some typical situations, which illustrate these occurrences.

✠ Above all, relax and remember that this will be the first time your child will receive the Sacrament of Penance. It is the first step in a lifetime during which your child’s appreciation of the sacrament will grow and deepen. Bear in mind that it is YOUR responsibility to make sure that your child is provided the opportunity to go to confession on a regular basis (a good rule of thumb is once a month).

WHY DO WE NEED CONFESSION?

Sin. We are all familiar with it. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines sin as “an offense against God, a rupture of communion with Him. At the same time, it damages communion with the Church (those around us)” (CCC 1440).

Jesus teaches that there are less serious and more serious sins. We call less serious sins venial sins and more serious sins mortal sins. What are the distinctions?

In order to commit a mortal sin, three conditions must be met:

1. The person must be committing a gravely evil act or thought (i.e. violation of the Ten Commandments, precepts of the Church, or sins against moral teaching of the Church).
2. The person must have knowledge that the act or thought is gravely evil. If a person has a doubtful conscience, they may not act until they have gathered sufficient information to make a rightly ordered decision.
3. The person must intend the act committed or the thought. It is important here to distinguish between temptations and willed thoughts.

If any one of these conditions is not met, a mortal sin has not been committed. The sin would generally be considered a venial sin. However, it should be noted that it is possible to commit a deliberate venial sin. These sins are of special concern since they lessen a person’s resistance to **commit more serious** sins. Even if the act or thought is not a grave evil, a person may still know that the act or thought is still wrong and that they intend to perform that act or thought anyway. All this describes sins of commission. However, *it should be noted that we are also liable for sins of omission* – good acts or obligations that we failed to do. In certain circumstances, such sins can be mortal sins.

Although you are only obliged to confess your mortal sins, any sin may be confessed. Of course, **no one may receive Holy Communion if they have committed mortal sins** that have not been absolved by a priest through the Sacrament of Penance. A person is obligated to make a good confession at least once a year (Easter Duty), although it is generally recommended that one makes a good confession at least once a month, or as necessary.

One must also consider the social effect of every sin. Even the most private sin affects the entire Church and society at large since we all live in community.

While the above information is difficult to express to second graders, it may be helpful for parents as guidelines when instructing children.

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

(For First Penitents)

Did I miss Mass ON PURPOSE on a Sunday or Holy Day? (Do not confuse this with your parents not taking you to Mass. You only have the obligation to ask them to take you).

Was I late for Mass through MY own fault?

Did I laugh, talk, or play in church?

Was I disobedient to anyone looking after me?

Did I talk back to anyone taking care of me?

When I had a chance to do something nice, did I choose not to do it?

Did I fight with someone?

Did I use angry words?

Did I cheat on school assignments or tests?

Did I try to “get even” with someone?

Did I use bad words?

Did I steal something?

Did I tell any lies?

Did I call anyone bad names?

Was I mean to other people?

Did I tease someone unkindly?

Celebrating First Reconciliation

The priest begins with the sign of the cross:

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Begin by asking the priest for a blessing. You say:

Bless me Father, for I have sinned. This is my First Confession, and these are my sins.

Then tell the priest your sins – the things that prevent you from loving God and neighbor.

When you have finished saying all your sins, say:

For these and all my sins, I am very sorry.

The Priest will suggest something to do to help you grow closer to God (penance): a prayer or an action.

Then he will ask you to say the Act of Contrition. (There are several versions, but here is one to practice.)

Act of Contrition

O my God, I am heartily sorry
for having offended Thee, and
I detest all my sins because of Thy just
punishments, but most of all because they
offend Thee, my God, Who art all-good
and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve, with the help
of Thy grace, to sin no more
and to avoid the near
occasions of sin.

Amen.

He will extend one or both hands and pray the Prayer of Absolution (which forgives your sins):
God, the Father of mercies, by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus his Son has freed the
world from sin, and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins. Through the
ministry of the Church, may God grant you pardon, grace and peace, and I absolve you from all
your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The Lord has freed you
from all your sins, go in peace.

You say: **Thanks be to God or Thank you, Father.**

Then you exit the Confessional, go back to the pew and say your penance.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FACT SHEET FOR PARENTS

“Parents have the first responsibility for the education of their children.”

“Parents have a grave responsibility to give good example to their children.”

“Through the grace of the Sacrament of Matrimony, parents receive the responsibility and privilege of evangelizing their children.” (CCC 2223, 2224, and 2225)

The celebration of the Mass is the center of the whole Christian life. All other liturgical rites and all the works of the Christian life are linked to, flow from, and have as their end the Eucharistic celebration.

Parents have a right and duty to be intimately involved in preparing their children for First Holy Communion. Catechesis aims to help parents grow in their understanding, love, and appreciation of the Eucharist and to participate readily in catechizing their children. You are encouraged to read the four Gospel accounts of the Last Supper with your child. Parents have an awesome and serious duty and obligation to care for the minds, bodies, and souls of their children. As a parent, you have the *primary role* in the sacramental process for your child. You will help your child grow in faith as you prepare him or her for the reception of the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist. ***Your attendance at Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation is vital!*** Even more importantly, your interest, example, witness, and prayers make a difference in your child’s decision to receive the Sacrament and the Faith with an open heart as he or she continues to grow in the faith.

With this in mind, we remind you that the role of a religious education program can only be secondary to the parents. We encourage you to do all you can, and we promise to do the best we can to aid and guide the sacramental preparation for your child.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

Five requirements are absolutely essential for a child to receive the Eucharist:

- ✠ He or she must understand the difference between ordinary bread and the Eucharist.
- ✠ He or she must have a sincere desire to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist.
- ✠ He or she must truly believe that it is our Lord whom he or she is receiving.
- ✠ And of course, he/she must be free from mortal sin - - - in a state of grace.
- ✠ He/she must fast for one hour before receiving Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

To participate more fully in the Eucharist, we must continue to grow in the following ways:

- ✚ Understanding that the Eucharist:
 - is a memorial of the Lord’s Passion, Death, and Resurrection, and that His Sacrifice on the Cross and Resurrection become present in every celebration
 - is a meal at which Christ nourishes us with His Word and His Body and Blood so that we have greater love of God and neighbor
 - reminds us of our unity with our brothers and sisters in Christ
 - anticipates the banquet of God’s kingdom
- ✚ Knowledge of the Last Supper and the Jewish roots of the covenant meal.
- ✚ Awareness of the Father’s love, of the call to participate in Christ’s sacrifice, and of the gift of the Spirit.
- ✚ Familiarity with the main events of Jesus’ life (the Rosary can help here).
- ✚ Faith that Jesus is present in the Eucharist: not only in the priest, in the Christian assembly, or in the reading of His Word, but in a unique and most excellent way under the appearance of bread and wine, which after the Consecration, become the Body and Blood of Jesus.
- ✚ Desire to visit and pray to Jesus apart from Mass.

TIPS FOR TALKING TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT THE HOLY EUCHARIST

- ✚ Be sure to talk sincerely to your child about your experience of Jesus. It is essential that the child understands the importance of having a real relationship with Jesus. If you do not speak to your child about your love of the Eucharist, even your best example may appear to them to be empty formalism.
- ✚ You are a model for your child. Remember that the reverence with which you accept Jesus in the Eucharist will be the example that will be followed by your child. No matter how much your child’s catechist stresses “how to receive reverently”, if this is not being done by his/her family, the lessons will be quickly forgotten. How you prepare prior to entering God’s house matters. Does your attire and attitude show your children you are spending an hour with the King of Kings?
- ✚ When you attend Mass EACH Sunday and Holy Day, help your child to fully participate in the Mass. Remember, if you do not sing or recite the responses, neither will your child.
- ✚ Take your child to Church to visit Jesus in the most Blessed Sacrament. Explain how Jesus is waiting in the tabernacle for us to come to Him; how He loves us to come and just be with Him. Let the children know that we can tell Jesus everything: our joys, our pains, even ask for help in our studies. This also would be a good chance to practice appropriate Church behavior with your child while showing him/her your own love of the Lord. *Practice the Sign of the Cross, prayers, genuflecting, etc.*

PREPARATION

PARENTS – The First Holy Communion record form and baptismal certificates for all First Holy Communicants must be turned in by due date: December 7, 2021 (pg. 14 of this handbook).

Interviews – All First Communicants will be interviewed by the Director of Religious Education at the First Penance Retreat. This is designed as a verbal assessment to ensure that each child is prepared to make their First Penance and First Holy Communion.

First Penance Retreat – The First Penance Retreat is designed to help prepare the students to be spiritually ready to make a good first confession. The Retreat Form is located on pg. 12 of this handbook. A parent is required to attend the first part of the retreat from 8:45 – 10:30 am

Sacrament of Penance - The majority of the children will make their First Confession in February. We encourage you to make sure that your child has an opportunity to receive this Sacrament again before First Holy Communion. Confessions are heard at St. Andrew Tuesdays and Thursdays 11:45 am – 12:15 pm; Wednesdays at 7 pm, Saturdays 3:30-4:30 pm

First Holy Communion Retreat – All First Holy Communicants are required to attend the First Holy Communion Retreat to help them spiritually prepare to receive Jesus with love and reverence for the first time. The Retreat Form is located on pg. 13 of this handbook. A parent is required to attend the rehearsal, which begins at 12:50 pm

First Holy Communion Practice – The rehearsal will be held immediately following the retreat at 12:50 pm on April 30. A parent is required to attend the rehearsal and should be seated in the church at 12:50 pm. **It is important that at least one parent remain in the church during the practice time so that they may receive any last minute information and be able to answer any questions their child may have when they return home.**

First Holy Communion Mass – Children should be brought to their assigned classroom (page 10) no later than 9:45 am on Saturday, May 7, prior to taking your place in the church. During this time, the photographer will be taking class pictures, so please be sure your child arrive on time. **Please DO NOT stay in the classroom with your child.** If you wish to have individual pictures taken of your child the photographer will be available from 8:45 - 9:45 am in Msgr. Hannan Hall. After Mass, the children will return to their assigned classrooms where parents can pick them up for dismissal. First Holy Communion certificates will be available from the teachers in the classrooms.

Dress Code - Special clothes highlight a special occasion. However, you are reminded to stress the coming of Jesus as the most important part of the day. Keeping this in mind, *any modest dress clothes are appropriate.* Most girls in our parish wear the traditional white dress and a veil for the head. *Shoulders are to be covered, either with sleeves or a sweater/bolero jacket.* The head **MUST** be covered in some form in imitation of a bride of Christ. **Please DO NOT let the students wear nail polish, tennis shoes or sneakers, and girls are not to wear pants or slacks.** If your daughter has a purse or gloves, we ask that you keep these items with you during the First Holy Communion Mass so that they are not lost. The boys have chosen a variety of dress including suits, tuxes, blazers or dress sweaters, and dress slacks. **Ties MUST be worn and tennis shoes or sneakers are not permitted.**

Photography – No pictures should be taken in the church either during or after Mass. Do not distract the children from Jesus by taking pictures especially when the children are receiving our Lord for the first time. After the children have received our Lord they are in the prayerful mode of thanking Jesus for the great gift of His Body. IF you must take pictures you must not use flash and you must take them from your seat or from the balcony. DO NOT STAND UP OR STAND IN THE AISLE. After Mass, we ask that you make use of the beautiful outside natural environment to take pictures with the priests and your family.

Class Pictures –The children MUST be at St. Andrew’s at 9:45 am before the First Holy Communion Mass to be photographed. Meet in the assigned classrooms upon arrival. The photographer will have photo forms available on the day of the First Holy Communion Mass to purchase group or individual photos.

Reception: A reception will immediately follow Mass in Msgr. Hannan Hall (tentative).

Corpus Christi Procession: All First Holy Communicants are invited to attend, dressed in their First Holy Communion attire, and lead the parish Corpus Christi procession on Sunday, June 19, at 1:30 pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PRACTICE & MASS SCHEDULE

The First Holy Communion Rehearsal is on **Saturday, April 30, 2022, at 12:50 pm.**

The First Holy Communion Mass is **Saturday, May 7, 2022, at 11:00 am.**

The table listed below lists your child’s classroom assignment.

Photo	Time	Location
Individual Photos (optional)*	8:45 am	Msgr. Hannan Hall
Class Photo (mandatory)	9:45 am	Assigned Classroom

*If you wish to have individual pictures taken with the photographer they will be available on a first come, first serve basis beginning at 8:45 am in Msgr. Hannan Hall.

CATECHIST	CLASS DAY-TIME	MEET IN ROOM
Mr. Spicer	Monday 5:30 pm	Room 108
Ms. Babauta	Tuesday 5 pm	Room 109
tbd	Homeschool & Other Parochial Schools	Room 107
Mrs. McCullough	St. Andrew the Apostle School	Room 9

FAMILY PRIEST ATTENDANCE FORM

Due March 22, 2022

YES, WE HAVE A PRIEST IN OUR FAMILY WHO WOULD LIKE TO CONCELEBRATE THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS WITH THE PASTOR OF ST. ANDREW'S PARISH.

Name of Priest: _____

Name of Parish: _____ Diocese: _____

If not the Diocese of Arlington, please attach a letter from the Diocesan Bishop stating that the priest is in good standing.

Student Name: _____ Relationship to Student: _____

FLOWER DONATION FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS

Due March 22, 2022



MAY BE IN MEMORY OF, FOR A SPECIAL INTENTION, OR IN THE FAMILY NAME

First Penance Retreat Permission Slip/Release Form Due December 7, 2021

My consent is hereby given as the parent of my child to attend/participate in **The First Penance Retreat** in **Msgr. Hannan Hall at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish** on **Saturday, January 29, 2022**. I understand that I am to bring my child at 8:45 a.m. and one parent will remain at the retreat until 10:30 am to attend Mass with their child and a talk by our pastor. The parent will return by 12 noon for pick-up. I do hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the chaperones, St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, and the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, VA, from any and all liability for any claim or injury or loss sustained by my child's participation in the above event. In the event of a medical emergency, I hereby give permission to those in charge to request necessary medical treatment for my child, in the event that I cannot be reached at the below listed phone numbers.

Child's Name: _____ Parent's Name: _____

Signature (Parent/Guardian): _____ Date: _____

STUDENT AGREEMENT: I agree to follow these expectations of behavior from the time I arrive at St. Andrew's until the time I am picked up by my parent(s) at the end of the event. I understand that if I do not follow these expectations I will be given a warning. I may be asked by the Director of Religious Education to call my parent/guardian depending on the severity of my misbehavior. I agree to behave in a Christian manner which means: I will respect myself. I will respect other people (no fighting, no bad words). I will respect and follow any direction given by the DRE and Chaperones. I understand that they are acting in my best interests. I agree to come ready to enjoy a great retreat!

Youth Signature: _____

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Cell: (Mom) _____ (Dad) _____ Home: _____

My child is allergic to the following medications: _____

Other allergies: _____

My child is currently taking the following prescribed drugs: _____

My child's birth date: _____

Family physician: _____ Phone number(s): _____

First Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal Permission Slip/Release Form Due March 22, 2022

My consent is hereby given as the parent of my child to attend/participate in **The First Holy Communion Retreat & Rehearsal** on **Saturday, April 30, 2022**. I understand that I am to drop off my child on Saturday at **8:45 a.m.** and return by **12:50 pm** for the rehearsal and to pick-up my child. I do hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the chaperones, St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church, and the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, VA, from any and all liability for any claim or injury or loss sustained by my child's participation in the above event. In the event of a medical emergency, I hereby give permission to those in charge to request necessary medical treatment for my child, in the event that I cannot be reached at the below listed phone numbers.

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Youth Signature: _____

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Cell: (Mom) _____ (Dad) _____ Home: _____

My child is allergic to the following medications: _____

Other allergies: _____

My child is currently taking the following prescribed drugs: _____

My child's birth date: _____

Family physician: _____ Phone number(s): _____

First Holy Communion Record Form
Due December 7, 2021

Print legibly when completing the form.

Name of Child as it is shown on the *baptismal certificate*:

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth (City, State): _____

Father's Full Legal Name: _____

Mother's Full Maiden Name: _____

Home Phone: _____

Note the following information:

- 1) A copy of the Baptismal Certificate must be attached to this form.
- 2) Baptisms at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church in Clifton, VA will be verified using the date of baptism provided in lieu of a baptismal certificate.
- 3) Baptismal certificates in a foreign language must include a translation by the parent.

Church of Baptism: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Country: _____

Date of Baptism: _____