



Seekers - First Eucharist Preparation 2021--22

Gr. 2-5 English

This program is for those that have met the prerequisite of attending a previous year of Faith Formation at a parish or Catholic school. Most Sessions will be held in the Church or Parish Center. ***This is a parent participation program.*** Curriculum requires both in person classes and at home lessons. Additional Weekly digital lessons are offered at no extra cost for Catholic School students and required for Non-Catholic school students. Please see Faith Together Calendar for those dates.

Parent Orientation Meeting- Please pre-register for classes

Oct. 5 Tuesday Parent ONLY Orientation meeting (Church) 6:30pm

- Sacrament of Reconciliation Preparation Materials
- Sacrament Preparation Expectation and Requirements, Schedule Overview

In-Person- Parent Only Sessions (required)

Oct. 26 6:30pm Parent Session #1, "Presence" w/ Fr. Peter and Amy (Church)

Nov. 2 6:30pm Parent Session #2, "Presence" w/ Fr. Peter and Amy (Church)

Nov. 9 6:30pm Parent Session #3, "Presence" w/Fr. Peter and Amy (Church)

Nov. 16 6:30pm Parent Session #4 "Presence" w/ Fr. Peter and Amy (Church)

***Nov. 23 6pm Parent/Child Session #1 "Presence" w/ Fr. Peter and Amy (Church)**

In-Person –Building Faith and Community, Family Gatherings

(Attendance Required for Non- Catholic school students and Strongly Encouraged for Catholic school students)

Dec. 5	Sunday	10:15-12pm	Family Catechesis Gathering – Advent	(Activity Center)
Jan 30	Sunday	10:15-12pm	Family Catechesis Gathering -	(Activity Center)
Feb 27	Sunday	10:15-12pm	Family Catechesis Gathering – Lent	(Activity Center)
March 2	Wed.	TBD	Ash Wednesday Mass	(Church)
April 3	Sunday	10:15-12pm	Family Catechesis - Holy Week- Seder Meal?	(Activity Center)
May 1	Sunday	10:15-12pm	Family Catechesis Day – May Crowning	(Outdoor garden)
June 18	Saturday		Corpus Christi Parish Event – Final Event of the year	

Sacrament Preparation Lessons- (Required)

Dec Parent Led Lessons at home- Reconciliation Lessons and Videos, Reconciliation study guide

Jan-April Prepared for Grace Student online Curriculum Portal – First Eucharist Preparation

Jan 9 10:15am-11:45 Parent/ Child Session #2 (Parish Center)

*Lesson and 1st Reconciliation Readiness quiz

Feb 13 10:15-11:45am Parent/Child Session #3 (Parish Center)

Mar 13 10:15-11:45am Parent/Child Session #4 (Parish Center)

Apr 9 9:30am-12:30pm *Retreat Saturday*, (Mandatory) (Details TBD)

*Sacrament of First Reconciliation – as the closing of Retreat

Apr 26 Tuesday, In-person First Communion interviews and prayer activity, Sign-ups will be given

May 6 Friday, First Eucharist *Mandatory* Rehearsal 5pm (Gather in church)

May 7 *Saturday, First Eucharist Mass 10:30am* (arrive by 10am)

(Please see 2nd page for additional information)

Looking forward to a Spirit filled journey with your family! Peace to you always!!
Amy Maris-Volf, Sacrament Preparation Coordinator, Amaris-volf@stceciliachurch.org



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Preparation Outline

Preparation focused on Sacrament Preparation (Required elements)

Oct- Dec:

Preparation specific to sacraments will start with:

- 4 in-person Parent Only Sessions + Orientation
- Online Reconciliation Lessons and videos for Parents to do with their Children at home
- In-person Mass as a group with children and families (Nov.)

Jan- April:

Preparation will be:

- One Sunday of the Month In-person Parent/Child
- Online Lessons and Videos for parent to complete with their child
- Augustine Institute Curriculum portal Eucharist Preparation
- Mandatory Retreat/First Reconciliation day
- Readiness Interviews

May:

- Rehearsal
- Sacrament of First Communion Mass and Reception

Opportunities focused on faith, fellowship, & Parish Community (Required for Non- Catholic School students and Strongly Encouraged for Catholic School students)

Nov.- June

- *ADDITIONAL* Family Gatherings are offered throughout the year to build faith as a family and parish community. They are *included* in your overall program and we encourage you to attend as many as possible as you journey toward Christ.

Oct- June

- Weekly- Digital lessons, crafts, children's homilies, activities, worship songs, and prayers posted on a secure digital format based on the Sunday readings of the week. These are *included* in your overall program and we encourage you to participate as a family in as many as possible throughout each week.