

# First Reconciliation & First Eucharist

Welcome to this exciting time of preparing your child(ren) for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist! As you look through the chart, keep in mind the following:

- **The U.S. Bishops ask** that children be prepared for the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to preparation for First Eucharist (Communion).
- **Vacations:** Plan your vacations so that you do not miss the parent sessions, rehearsals, and retreat.
- **Rehearsals for First Communion** are Mass specific. Plan your First Communion date and time based on the rehearsal time you and your child can attend.
- **Questions:** Contact Mary Ann Marschall, Coordinator of Grades 1-6 Faith Formation 763-762-7406 or [maryannmarschall@saintvdp.org](mailto:maryannmarschall@saintvdp.org). (Note spelling.)



## First Reconciliation (Penance/Confession)

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Requirement	Date Due
<u>Mass</u>	Attend every week
<u>Parent Session:</u> Attend <u>one</u> of the three sessions in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, Registration 5:45 to 6:15 pm. Speaker 6:15 to 7:15 pm (Church)</li> <li>• Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, Registration 4:45 to 5:15 pm. Speaker 5:15 to 6:15 pm (Regan Hall)</li> <li>• Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, Registration 6:30 to 7:00 pm. speaker 7:00 to 8:00 pm (Regan Hall)</li> </ul>	Tuesday, September 27 or Wednesday, September 28
<u>Child's Baptismal Certificate</u> with embossed seal from church of baptism unless your child was baptized at St. Vincent's. If baptized in another faith, your child will need to make a profession of faith at a time to be determined.	Wednesday, October 12
<u>Sacramental Information Form</u>	Wednesday, October 12
<u>God's Gift: Reconciliation Book:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sold at parent sessions September 27 &amp; 28</li> <li>• <u>Be sure all pages are completed</u></li> <li>• <u>Turn the book in to your child's catechist/teacher</u></li> </ul>	Tuesday, November 29 or Wednesday, November 30
<u>First Reconciliation Rehearsal:</u> Please rehearse with your child at home regularly. Catechists and Teachers will rehearse with children in the classroom as well.	
<u>First Reconciliation Celebration 1:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday Faith Formation Classes</li> <li>• Mrs. Katie Folger's class (St. Vincent School) Children from other Catholic schools &amp; Home Study</li> </ul>	Tuesday, December 13 at 6:00 pm in the church
<u>First Reconciliation Celebration 2:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday Faith Formation Classes</li> <li>• Mrs. Brenna McDowell's class (St. Vincent School)</li> </ul>	Wednesday, December 14 at 6:45 pm in the church
<u>First Reconciliation Celebration 3:</u> (in the chapel/west meeting room) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discover Class</li> </ul>	Wednesday, February 15

Date Due Chart 2016-2017 for Children Preparing for First Reconciliation & First Eucharist



## First Eucharist (*Communion*)



Requirement	Date Due
<u>Mass</u>	Attend every week
<u>Preparation for First Reconciliation Completed</u>	November 29 or 30
<u>Parent Session:</u> Attend <u>one</u> of the three sessions in Regan Hall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, Registration 5:45 to 6:15 pm. Speaker 6:15 to 7:15 pm.</li> <li>• Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, Registration 4:45 to 5:15 pm. Speaker 5:15 to 6:15 pm</li> <li>• Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, Registration 6:30 to 7:00 pm. Speaker 7:00 to 8:00 pm</li> </ul>	Tuesday, January 24 or Wednesday, January 25
<u>God's Gift: Eucharist Book:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sold at parent sessions January 24 &amp; 25</li> <li>• <u>Be sure all pages are completed</u></li> <li>• <u>Turn the book in to your child's catechist/teacher</u></li> </ul>	Tuesday, April 4 or Wednesday, April 5
<u>First Eucharist Banner:</u> Directions given at parent sessions January 24 & 25	At First Communion Retreat: Tuesday, March 21 or Wednesday, March 22
<u>First Communion Retreat 1:</u> <i>At least one parent/guardian must attend with child.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday Faith Formation &amp; Discover Classes</li> <li>• Mrs. Katie Folger's class (St. Vincent School)</li> <li>• Children from other Catholic schools &amp; Home Study</li> </ul>	Tuesday, March 21, 6:00 – 7:15 pm in Regan Hall
<u>First Communion Retreat 2:</u> <i>At least one parent/guardian must attend with child.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday 5:00 pm Faith Formation Classes</li> <li>• Mrs. Brenna McDowell's class (St. Vincent School)</li> </ul>	Wednesday, March 22, 5:00 – 6:15 pm in Regan Hall
<u>First Communion Retreat 3:</u> <i>At least one parent/guardian must attend with child.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wednesday 6:45 pm Faith Formation Classes</li> </ul>	Wednesday, March 22, 6:45 – 8:00 pm in Regan Hall
<u>First Reconciliation Celebration 3:</u> Discover Class (in the chapel/west meeting room)	Tuesday, March 15, 6:00 pm
<u>Registering for a First Communion Date and Mass Time:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Register at a First Reconciliation or First Eucharist parent session <u>or</u></li> <li>• <b>Contact Theresa Krohn at 763-762-7409 or <a href="mailto:theresakrohn@saintvdp.org">theresakrohn@saintvdp.org</a></b></li> </ul>	<b>When you are sure of your date but <u>no later than April 1.</u></b> <i>Be sure to select your date and time based on the rehearsal you can attend.</i>

### First Communion Rehearsal & Mass Schedule:

*Attendance at the rehearsal is **required** at the specific rehearsal for the specific Mass for the child & one parent/guardian.  
Please select the date and time for your Mass based on the rehearsal you can attend.*

Rehearsal	For	First Communion Mass
Tuesday, May 2 at 5:45 – 6:45 pm		Saturday, May 6 at 5:00 pm
Tuesday, May 2 at 7:00 – 8:00 pm		Sunday, May 7 at 9:00 am
Wednesday, May 3 at 5:45 – 6:45 pm		Sunday, May 7 at 11:00 am
Wednesday, May 3 at 7:00 – 8:00 pm		Sunday, May 7 at 1:00 pm