

SACRAMENT
of
RECONCILIATION



Who may prepare for 1st Reconciliation?

* Any baptized child seven years of age and older,

AND

* Who has participated in Catholic Religious Education for the prior year(s): If the child is in the second grade, he/she has completed the first grade. If the child is in the third grade, he/she has completed the second grade in a religious education class or Catholic School

If your child is not baptized or has not participated in Catholic Religious Education, please refer to the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCI).

First Reconciliation is celebrated once the child has studied from the materials received at the parent training sessions described below. 1st Reconciliation must be completed 3 months prior to 1st Communion.

Parent First Reconciliation Training is:

Saturday, October 16th at 9am in Dwyer Hall

Or

Tuesday, October 26th at 6:30 pm in Dwyer Hall

The training sessions are meant only for the Parents. At least one parent should attend one of the above trainings. No RSVP for the class is necessary; however, **reservations for child care must be made at 720.842.4103**. At these trainings, you will be hearing a presentation by the priests and will obtain your materials to study with your child.

How do I register for their First (Initiation) Sacraments (Reconciliation and Eucharist)?

To register for First Sacraments turn in a copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate to the Faith Formation Office. A copy is needed by the Faith Formation Office for every child, even if the child was baptized at Ave Maria Catholic Church.

How are children prepared for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist?

Instructions for these Sacraments are done by the Parents/Guardians. Parents/Guardians are required to participate in the sacramental classes offered in order to prepare their child(ren) for Reconciliation (Confession/Penance) and Holy Communion (Eucharist). Although the parents are ultimately responsible for their child's preparation, there will be a strong emphasis in their classroom as well.