

Sacraments – First Reconciliation and First Eucharist

Important Dates to Remember 2019:

October 17: Parent Night for First Reconciliation, **6:30-7:30 p.m.**, Undercroft (**parents only**)

October 20: Bulb Planting - parents and all children who will be celebrating First Eucharist in May meet in front of the Brees Center at **10:45 a.m.** The bulbs planted by the children bloom as first Eucharist time approaches - a sign of new life in Christ. (Parish supplies bulbs).

November 7: Parent - Child Reconciliation Retreat, **6:00 -7:30 p.m.**, Church (**parents & children**)

December 10: Celebration of Reconciliation, **PSR & BSS 2-A: 6:00 p.m.**, **BSS 2-B & 2-C: 7:30 p.m.**, in the Church

To read what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says about Reconciliation:

http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc_css/archive/catechism/p2s2c2a4.htm

Important Dates to Remember - 2020:

February 6, 2020: Parent Night for First Communion, **6:30-7:30 p.m.** in the Undercroft (**parents only**)

March 26: Parent-Child First Communion Retreat, **6:00 – 7:30 p.m.** - begins in the church (**parents and children**)

April 23: Practice and Pictures, **6:00 -8:00 p.m.** (**PSR & BSS 2-A**, meet in the undercroft) (**BSS 2-B & 2-C**, meet in the church) - **Children should dress as they will for First Eucharist**

April 25: First Eucharist for **BSS 2-B & 2-C**, **4:00 p.m.** in the church (**meet at 3:30 p.m. in the Undercroft**)

April 26: First Eucharist for **PSR and BSS 2-A**, **1:30 p.m.** in the church (**meet at 1:00 in the Undercroft**)

A word about First Communion attire:

There is often confusion about proper attire for first Holy Communion. While girls may wear white dresses and veils, and boys may wear suits or sport coats, this is not a requirement for sacramental celebration; nor is it required that clothing be expensive and ornate. On the contrary, emphasis should be on the reception of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament rather than on exquisite attire. Clothing that is modest, dignified, and formal, reflecting the solemnity of this very special occasion, may be any nice dress for girls and slacks, shirt, and a tie for boys.

To read what the Catechism of the Catholic Church says about Eucharist:

http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc_css/archive/catechism/p2s2c1a3.htm