**First Communion I & II**

 We believe that preparing children for Reconciliation and Eucharist is a wonderful opportunity for families. The early years of Faith Formation are formative for the whole family and provide a beautiful opportunity to reflect on how God has been present in their lives and to encounter Him in a meaningful way. We try to meet families where they are and help each family move forward on their faith journey. Preparation for First Reconciliation and Eucharist is a 2 year program, First Communion I (FCI) and First Communion II (FCII). All students must attend FCI prior to moving on to FCII, regardless of grade. The exception being children that attend catholic school, they only need attend FCII.

Our FCII preparation program consists of bimonthly Sunday classes as well as parent meetings monthly. Parents play an integral role in the preparation of their child, they are the primary teachers of the Faith. We celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the winter and First Eucharist in the spring of their FCII year. Requirements: • Children must have been baptized Roman Catholic – Baptismal certificate is required for those not baptized at either St. Peter’s or St. Kateri. • Families should be regularly attending weekly Mass. Children will sign in at Mass and must attend at least 80% of the time throughout the year, including non-class weeks. First Communion I – Students will participate in bimonthly Sunday classes with two parent meetings per year. First Communion II students will attend bimonthly Sunday classes with monthly parent meetings. Children will prepare for First Reconciliation from September to January, First Reconciliation will take place in January. Between January and April, the children will prepare for the Sacrament of First Eucharist which is celebrated in early May.