



May 10, 2010

Dear Families of Children Preparing for First Reconciliation & Eucharist,

Welcome to St. Justin Parish Sacramental Preparation Program!

Any child in second grade or above who attends St. Justin Catholic School or our Sunday Catechetical Program is eligible to enroll in our Sacramental Preparation Program. It is expected that the children will be attending Sunday Mass with their families, and that their Baptismal certificates are provided to our Catechetical Office. Our process is parent-driven and family-oriented. St. Justin's seeks to support you in nurturing your child's faith at this time.

Our program consists of the following components:

- Two mandatory **parent meetings** at which parents are provided with **at-home materials** to assist them in leading their child to the sacraments
- A Sunday afternoon **Parent-Child Practice Session** for First Reconciliation
- A Sunday afternoon **First Eucharist Family Retreat**
- A **family interview**, and
- A weekday evening **Parent-Child Rehearsal** for the First Eucharist mass

This year's schedule is on the back of this letter. Please save this memo as your notification of all upcoming sacramental preparation requirements. By registering your child in this process, ***you are indicating your receipt of this schedule and your commitment to participate in all aspects of the program.*** Any other arrangements must be made **prior** to the start of the program, on a case by case basis, with myself.

If you are interested in registering your child for Sacramental Preparation, please complete and return the registration form, along with a copy of the baptismal certificate and the registration fee. Please note that the registration form provides you an opportunity to select your child's First Eucharist Mass. We ask that you make a note of your selection for yourself.

May you and your child find this preparation process a blessed time to reconnect with your faith in Jesus Christ in whom we are united each Mass through the Eucharist.

Yours in Christ,

Tracy Sevigny
Pastoral Associate of Catechetical Ministry

St. Justin Sacramental Preparation Program

Please place the following Required Components on your calendar

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting

Sunday, October 17, 2-3:30pm **or** Monday, October 18, 7-8:30pm
Small Hall

Parent & Child First Reconciliation Practice

Sunday, December 5, 2010
2:00-3:30 p.m.
Church, followed by rotation

Celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday, December 5, 2010
3:30-5:00 p.m.
Church

First Eucharist Parent Meeting

Sunday, February 27, 2-3:30pm **or** Monday, February 28, 7-8:30pm
Small Hall

First Eucharist Family Retreat

Sunday, April 10
Large Hall, followed by rotation
1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Parent & Child Rehearsal for those selecting Saturday 5pm Mass

Monday, May 9
Church
5:00 to 6:15 p.m.

Parent & Child Rehearsal for those selecting Sunday 9am Mass

Monday, May 9
Church
6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

Parent & Child Rehearsal for those selecting Sunday 10:30am Mass

Thursday, May 12
Church
5:00 to 6:15 p.m.

Parent & Child Rehearsal those selecting Sunday 12:15pm Mass

Thursday, May 12
Church
6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday, May 14

5 pm Mass

Celebration of the Eucharist

Sunday, May 15

9am, 10:30am, &
12:15pm Masses