

Sacramental Preparation at St. Joseph's

Sacramental preparation involves, in an integral way, the family, the parish community, and the catechetical program. We recall that:

1. A sacrament involves a relationship with Jesus and therefore presumes faith on the part of the individual, the family and the community.
 2. The readiness of the candidates and their families are essential criteria for assessing when the celebration of sacraments should take place.
 3. The family has an essential role in preparation for the celebration of sacraments. Parents are constantly teaching and catechizing, positively or negatively, by their attitudes, actions, values; by the way they encourage prayer or not; by their active participation in worship or their lack of it.
- Parents have no choice about whether to be teachers of their children. Their only choice is to be good teachers or poor teachers. Because of their significant influence, families need to be involved in the preparation for and celebration of sacraments.



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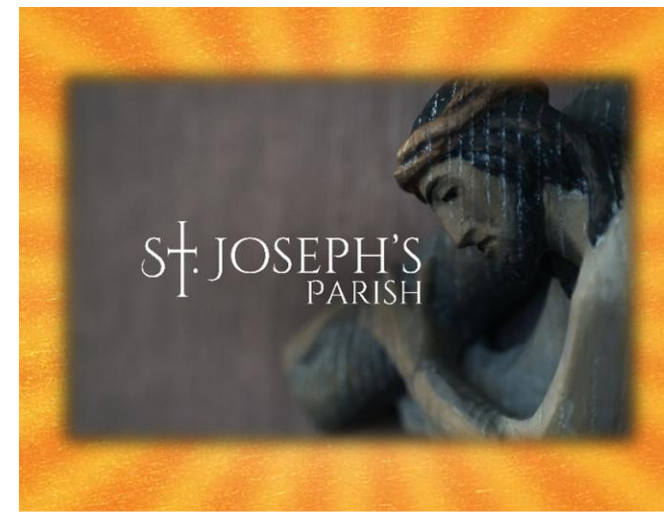
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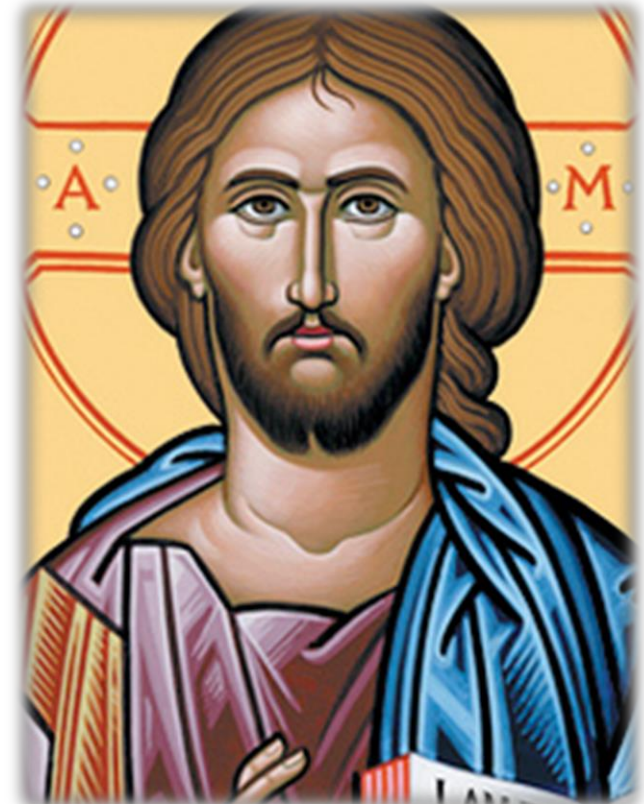
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**Sacramental Preparation
Information**

2023/2024



Information for Parents

During this 2022/2023 school year, Catholic school-aged children are encouraged to register for Sacramental preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation (grade 2), and Confirmation with First Eucharist (grade 2) at St. Joseph's Parish. If your son or daughter is in grade 2 or has missed these sacraments earlier, please register and put the meeting dates on your calendar.

***Please register online at
www.stjosephmj.com/registration***

Family Responsibilities

- to attend Sunday Mass
- to attend all the monthly meetings
- to complete the home component of the program
- all meetings are for both the parents and candidates
- all meetings will be on Sundays in the parish hall after 9:00 a.m. Mass. We will be finished before the start of 11:00 a.m. Mass



Dates for Sacramental Preparation

First Reconciliation

prerequisite for Confirmation with First Eucharist

September 17

October 22

November 19

December 17

(Dates for First Reconciliation to be announced)

Confirmation with First Communion

January 21

February 11

March 17

April 21

May 12

June 9

(Date for Confirmation with First Communion to be announced)