



First Communion Reminders



Practice receiving the host with your child at home.

- Make a slight head bow before approaching the priest.
- Place one hand over the other, making a throne for Jesus.
- After the priest says, “The Body of Christ”, make sure your child responds **clearly**, “Amen” and knows how and when to place Jesus in their mouth as practiced at the retreat.

Any special needs-gluten free host, etc notify Faith Formation office by April 15

What to Wear

- Boys-suit & tie or a dress shirt & dress pants with a tie. No tennis shoes, please.
- Girls-a communion dress and veil or an appropriate light-colored dress.
 - Shoulders must be covered.
 - Veil cannot cover face.
 - If gloves are worn, they must be removed before receiving Communion.

Arrive at church a half hour before Mass begins. You're welcome to take photos before or after Mass. We ask that you and your guests respect our priests and not take photos during Mass.

You will choose your seating at rehearsal, and you may have as many guests as you'd like.

Your child's certificate and banner will be on the pew reserved for you & your family the day of First Communion.

We ask that conversations be held to a minimum before Mass to respect those who wish to have quiet time with the Lord.

- First Communicants sit on the end of the pews and receive communion first.
- Make room for Jesus by not eating or drinking one hour before Mass.
- No gum chewing, eating, or drinking during Mass.
- Any member of your family who is not Catholic is welcome to come forward in the communion line with their arms crossed to receive a blessing from the priest.

We will take a group photo after the children process out together at the end of Mass.