



**PREPARATION FOR
FIRST RECONCILIATION and EUCHARIST
2018/2019**



Parent Orientation: *Attendance Required* (Parents Only)
Tuesday, October 2 at 6:00 in the Auditorium at the North Campus
Registration is not complete until parent orientation is attended!

When will the Sacraments be celebrated?

First Reconciliation (Penance)	Tuesday, January 15 at 6:00 pm in the church
First Communion Weekend	May 4/5 during the weekend Masses

What is the format for the preparation and how are the parents involved?

Parental involvement is so important to the spiritual growth of the children. When the family prays together and participates in faith formation activities together, the family grows stronger. Our Family Workshops are offered once per month with the children and parents together for the entire session, from opening prayer until the closing.

Is there a text/curriculum for the workshops that I can look at ahead of time?

We use a sacramental preparation program from the distinguished Catholic publisher RCL Benziger. Take some time and browse their website at www.faithfirst.com and click on the Sacrament icon. This will give you the opportunity to familiarize yourself with this series.

When are the sacramental preparation workshops? And what happens if we miss one?

We know lives are busy, but this preparation is so important to growing the faith in your family and especially in the children. There is only one workshop per month and *there are no make-up sessions!* So, please mark the family calendars!!

I am ready to mark my family calendars, so what are the dates?

Dates for **Reconciliation Preparation** Workshops and Events

Parent Orientation	Tues, Oct 2	6:00 pm	North Campus Auditorium
Church Search	Tues, Oct 9	6:00 pm	Church
Workshop 1	Wed, Oct 17	6:00-7:30 pm	North Campus
Workshop 2	Wed, Nov 14	6:00-7:30 pm	North Campus
Workshop 3	Wed, Dec 5	6:00-7:30 pm	North Campus
Retreat Day	Sat, Jan 12	9:00-12:00 pm	North Campus
First Reconciliation	Tues, Jan 15	6:00 pm	Church

Dates for **Eucharist Preparation** Workshops

Workshop 1	Wed, Jan 30	6:00-7:30 pm	North Campus
Workshop 2	Wed, Feb 27	6:00-7:30 pm	North Campus
Workshop 3	Wed, April 3	6:00-7:30 pm	North Campus
Jesus Day Retreat	Sat, April 27	9:00-12:00 pm	North Campus
First Communion	May 4 & 5	During each of the weekend Masses	

Seriously...what happens if we miss a workshop?

Sacramental preparation is serious! There are no make-up sessions – this is why we have the schedule published far in advance. If you miss a workshop, you will need to contact the Faith Formation Office immediately at 229-1595, ext. 214. If we do not hear from you within one week, we will have to assume that you and your child have agreed to discontinue the process for this year. This policy will be strictly adhered to. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Email: mgiral@sacredheartfla.org