

## St Paul's Co-Cathedral Sacramental Preparation September 2023

Good Day Parents!

We are shortly going to begin preparation classes for your child's First Reconciliation, followed by First Communion in the spring of 2024. I am pleased to be once again serving the community as the catechist for this journey with your child. The Sacramental Preparation will consist of 12 one-hour classes scheduled on Wednesday evenings. In the fall, we will prepare for first reconciliation by getting closer to Jesus and God's covenant. In the Spring, we will continue to draw closer to Him by examining what Jesus has done for us.

The Sacramental preparation will be held each week in the church hall of St Paul's Co-Cathedral, starting Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 7:30. To assist in the child's learning and growth, a parent or guardian is requested to attend the program. Parents will be working with their child through the learning stations that will be provided. We will continue every other week, leading to the celebration of First Reconciliation on December 9<sup>th</sup>. First Communion preparation will resume in the Spring on March 6<sup>th</sup>, with the sacrament planned to be celebrated June 2<sup>nd</sup> on the Feast of Corpus Christi.

Overview of dates:

First Reconciliation Preparation

First Class and Registration Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 7:30

Classes: Oct 18, Nov 1, 15, 29, Dec 6. Learning Station open 6:15 to 7:45

Date of Sacrament Reconciliation Dec 9<sup>th</sup>, 2 pm at St Paul's Co-Cathedral.

First Communion Preparation

First Class and Registration March 6, 6:30 to 7:30

March 20, Learning Station open 6:15 to 7:45

April 3, No class due to Easter Break. Optional Family Movie night

April 17, May 1, 15, 29 Learning Station open 6:15 to 7:45

Date of First Communion Corpus Christi June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2024

To complete the registration process please return the registration form to me or to the parish office, with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate and the attached registration form. The parish request donations of \$60 to cover the Sacramental Preparation administrative costs. If you have any questions or concerns throughout the Sacramental Preparation journey, please contact me. I am looking forward to this journey with your child!

Yours in Christ,

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