

Saint Francis de Sales - Religious Education
SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION
This Application is due by Wednesday, November 30, 2016
Return Application/Fee to the Parish or Academy Office.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation is Wednesday, January 11th, 2017 at 7 PM.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion is
Saturday, May 6th 11:00 A.M. = Classes 2-1, 2-2 & 2-A and
Saturday, May 13th 11:00 A.M. = Classes 2-3,2-4,2-5 & 2-B

Kindly PRINT all information and return Page 1 together with registration fee.

Child's Name	First	Middle Initial	Last
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Address	City	State	Zip
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Telephone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Date of Baptism: _____

Church of Baptism: _____

NOTE: If your child was NOT baptized at the Church of Saint Francis de Sales then you will need to obtain a new copy of your child's baptismal certificate to submit with this application. If your child was baptized here at the Church of St. Francis de Sales no baptismal certificate is required we will check Register.

Father's Name	First	Middle Initial	Last
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Mother's Maiden Name	First	Middle Initial	Last
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Does your child have any special medical needs and/or concerns; this includes allergies to specific foods and medications, learning, or legal needs:

Celebrating the Sacraments of

First Reconciliation & Holy Communion
Church of Saint Francis de Sales
~ 2017 ~

Reminders - Please KEEP for your Reference

Proximate Preparation Retreat for First Reconciliation & Holy Communion (for both Parents & Children) is:

Saturday, November 5th Mass in Church 5:30 P.M. Presentation/Dinner 6:30 P.M. in SFDS Gym.

NOTE: The Proximate Preparation Retreat is a Diocesan mandatory requirement for both parents and children.

Your Child is scheduled to receive the Sacraments of:

First Penance – Wednesday JANUARY 11TH 7:00 P.M. (All Classes)

First Holy Communion - SATURDAY, MAY 6H 11:00 A.M. Classes 2-1, 2-2 & 2-A

First Holy Communion - SATURDAY, MAY 13TH 11:00 A.M. Classes 2-3, 2-4,2-5 & 2-B

NOTE: Arrival time for First Reconciliation is 6:30 P.M., please go directly to the Church. Arrival time for First Holy Communion is 10:00 A.M.; please go to Msgr. Reddy Hall.

Your Child is scheduled for Rehearsals at Church on:

Tuesday, May 2nd & Thursday, May 4th 3:30 P.M. in Church (for May 6th Holy Communion Mass)

Tuesday, May 9th & Thursday, May 11th 3:30 P.M. in Church (for May 13th Holy Communion Mass)

Application Fee:

Application Fee is: **\$125.00 per child**. Note: Fee covers the costs for Proximate Preparation, Retreat, Banner Kit, Sacramentals, DVD, etc. Application and Fee are due no later than November 30, 2016. Please return the entire application and fee together. Checks payable to: **St. Francis de Sales Church-Rel. Ed.**

Guidelines for First Holy Communion

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Church Seating: one pew per family will be reserved in alphabetical order. Upon entering into the Church, please look for your child's First Holy Communion Banner, which will be posted to a pew. At the end of Holy Mass, please take home the banner.

First Communion Banner: please return to your child's Catechist by ***Friday, April 15th***. Please design your child's first name on the front of the banner (kit includes instructions). On the back of the banner clearly print your child's first and last name. **Kindly use only the banner kit that has been issued to you.**

First Communion Attire: Traditional white attire is encouraged. However, appropriate attire is mandated:

Young Ladies must wear a dress and may use a white head veil.

Young Gentlemen must wear a suit and may use a First Communion Arm bow.

No gloves are permitted. Flower bouquets maybe presented after Mass not during Mass.

Hands need to be free of any articles.

Wrist Corsage and flower lapel may be worn.

Video/Photography: a professional videographer will be available and a DVD will be distributed. One DVD per family, will be made available a few weeks after the ceremony at the academy and parish offices. Flash photography is not permitted during Holy Mass. There will be an opportunity for children to be photographed with Parish Priests after Holy Mass. Kindly follow the instructions of the Church Ushers.

Rite of Communion: is under both Sacred Species - The Most Precious Body and Blood of Christ will be presented to children, sharing in the fullness of Christ. Holy Communion will be distributed to children first then to the congregation.

Church Protocol: We appreciate your cooperation as to assure solemnity throughout our liturgy in support of our children who are about to receive the Most Precious Body and Blood of Christ. Your attention to please observe the following:

Turn off all cellular phones and communication devices.

Please refrain from unnecessary talking.

Please remain in your seats.

Flash photography is not permitted during Holy Mass.

We encourage all to participate in responding and singing during Holy Mass (Program Booklets will be available).

Kindly follow the instructions of the Church Ushers.

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