



COMMUNION REGISTRATION 2020-2021

First Communion Student's Name _____

Dear Parent,

Our Lady of the Lake Religious Education program invites you to register your child for our First Reconciliation and First Eucharist preparation program.

As parents or guardians, you brought your child to the Roman Catholic community for Baptism and at that time you were reminded that you were to be the first teachers in the ways of faith. Your child's Baptism provided an opportunity for you to consider the importance of the sacramental life of the Church in your family. This time of preparation for First Reconciliation and Eucharist invites you to reflect further. Now we invite you to accompany your child /children as they prepare to join with us at the table of the Lord and receive their First Communion.

We want to do all we can to help prepare your child/children for these important events. First Reconciliation will be celebrated on November 17, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. First Communion will be celebrated on May 8, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Please make sure you follow the yearly schedule for important meetings. At these meetings, we will discuss the meaning of the sacrament, as well as offer some practical ideas that will help you to prepare your child/children at home. We will review details about the preparation of First Reconciliation and First Communion.

All students seeking First Communion should complete at least two years of Religious Education prior to the sacramental year to be fully prepared.

All students preparing for First Communion are required to attend classes weekly. More than **five** absences will likely result in delay of the sacrament.

The preparation program will have many opportunities for the parents, students, and catechists to work together in preparing the children both academically and spiritually.

I have prayerfully considered the decision to encourage my child to enter the First Reconciliation and First Communion process. I have shared with my child the importance of the Sacrament of First Communion. I commit myself to work with my child in exploring the weekly scriptures and identifying people who exemplify Christ. I will join my son/daughter to complete the preparation requirements.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____