



Reading Schedule

Confirmation & First Eucharist



Parent Night – Thurs. Jan. 12th 6:30

After this session please make sure that you take time to read the following:

- “Service Project Explanation”, and please fill out as a family.
- “Together in Jesus”, *Questions Parents Ask About Confirmation*. (This pulls apart into four parts, just read the first page on Confirmation).
- “Parents as Primary Catechist”.
- “How to Pick Your Sponsor”. Please discuss and brainstorm potential sponsors with your child who will be receiving confirmation. Your sponsor will be required to get a reference letter from their parish priest, and this takes time. A potential sponsor should be chosen by the end of January. This will allow for the reference letters to be written, and sent before confirmation. Letters can be emailed to: sacraments@resurrectionparish.ca, faxed to: 306.352.0999, dropped off in the parish office, or given to the hospitality desk after mass on any weekend.

Family Session I – Sun. Jan. 29th 3:00 or 6:00

In this session we will be going over the following:

- “Together in Jesus”, *I Belong to a Community*, (booklet 1).
- “Together in Jesus”, *I Prepare for Confirmation*, (booklet 2).
- We will be discussing what it means to be a full member of the Catholic Church community, and the link between Baptism and Confirmation.
- We will also be learning about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, consider reading through Isaiah 11:1-5 as a family before our class.

To continue on in your homes:

- Read through and fill out, “Together in Jesus”, *Confirmation Family Focus Poster*. (This is one of the pull-apart pages; the back side has helpful guidelines in how to fill this poster out).
- “Together in Jesus”, *What Happens in Confirmation*, (booklet 3).
- “Together in Jesus”, *Our Community Remembers Jesus*, (booklet 4).

After this session please read the following in preparation for Family Session II:

- “Together in Jesus”, *Questions Parents Ask about First Eucharist*, This pulls apart into four parts, just read the first page on Eucharist).
- “We Share in the Eucharist”, *We Walk with Jesus*, (chapter 1)
- You should also have picked out your sponsor and asked for a reference letter from their parish priest.

Family Session II – Sun. Feb. 12th 3:00 or 6:00

In this session we will be going over the following:

- “Together in Jesus”, *Jesus Gathers People Together*, (booklet 5).
- “We Share in the Eucharist”, *We Give Thanks*, (chapter 4).
- We will be discussing why mass is so important to Catholics and how we can best participate in it, focusing on the centrality of the Eucharist in the celebration.
- We will also be further developing our understanding of Church as community.

To continue on in your homes:

- Read through and fill out, “Together in Jesus”, *First Eucharist Family Focus Poster*. (This is one of the pull-apart pages; the back side has helpful guidelines in how to fill this poster out. Work on this as you work through the corresponding booklets).
- “We Share in the Eucharist”, *We Learn about the Mass*, (chapter 2)
- “Together in Jesus”, *Jesus Special Supper*, (booklet 6).

After this session please read the following in preparation for Family Session III:

- “We Share in the Eucharist”, *We Share God’s Word*, (chapter 3).
- “We Share in the Eucharist”, *We Remember and Celebrate*, (chapter 5).
- “Together in Jesus”, *Our Community Shares a Meal*, (booklet 7).

Family Session III – Sun. March 12th 3:00 or 6:00

In this session we will be going over the following:

- We will be having a tour of the church this day and learning about the many special places, symbols and holy things that are in our church.
- We will also be discussing how the service projects are going and take some time to share any insights that you have gained from your experiences, time permitting.
- Sponsors must be confirmed at this point and reference letters should be received as well!

To continue on in your homes:

- Finish filling out the, “Together in Jesus”, *First Eucharist Family Focus Poster*. (This is one of the pull-apart pages; the back side has helpful guidelines in how to fill this poster out. Work on this as you work through the corresponding booklets).
- “We Share in the Eucharist”, *We Share the Bread of Life*, (chapter 6).

Family Session IV – Sun. May 7th 5:00 – Everyone

- We will be having a nice family meal together to discuss the major themes that we have gone through.
- This also serves as an opportunity for the larger Resurrection Parish Community to get to know you better by helping to prepare a meal for you and serve your families.
- There will be a “Free Offering” to help cover the costs of the meal but this is completely voluntary.

Celebration Rehearsal – Sat. June 10th after 5:00 mass & Sun. June 11th after 11:00 mass

- This will be where we go over all the logistics of the actual celebration.
- Seating arrangements, times of celebrations, dress code, and overall outline of the celebrations will be discussed at this time. If you have questions please ask them during this session.

If you ever have any questions, or need clarification on anything please email sacraments@resurrectionparish.ca or give me a call 306.352.8044.