

St. Ann Catholic Church

First Reconciliation – First Eucharist Preparation

1st Reconciliation (Confession) and 1st Eucharist at St. Ann's are available for children in 2nd Grade and older. Children must be actively participating in regular Christian Formation. It is recommended that children participate in 1 full year of Christian Formation BEFORE preparing for First Sacraments.

This is what is required for families who are preparing their children to celebrate 1st Sacraments:

- Attend a parent-only information/orientation meeting on October 8th.
- Have your child participate weekly in St. Ann's regular Christian Formation classes.
- Attend all Family Sacrament Preparation meetings (1 Parent & Child must attend together) Thursday evenings 7-8:15pm. Everyone is expected to attend every meeting!
- Regularly participate as a family at Sunday Mass or Saturday Vigil Mass.
- Regularly share faith at home (meal blessings, Bible reading, shared prayer, etc.)
- If your child was not baptized at St. Ann's, please turn your child's Baptism Certificate into Silvana Lucero. You can bring it to one of the sessions or to your child's Christian Formation

2023 – 2024 1st Sacraments Preparation Dates

Sunday, Oct. 8, 10:00am Parent-only information/orientation

Oct. 19 Reconciliation Session #1 child and parents (7:00 – 8:15 pm)

Nov. 30 Reconciliation Session #2 child and parents (7:00 – 8:15 pm)

Jan. 18 Reconciliation Session #3 child and parents (7:00 – 8:15 pm)

**Feb. 10, 2024 (Sat) Prayer Service & First Reconciliation 10am-12pm.
Reception to follow**

Feb. 22 (Thu) Eucharist Session #1 child and parents (7:00 – 8:15 pm)

Mar. 21 (Thu) Eucharist Session #2 child and parents (7:00 – 8:15 pm)

Apr. 13 (Sat) **1st Eucharist Retreat** 9am to 1pm children only.

All sessions meet in church. Be on time! If there is a need, babysitting will be provided for siblings under the age of ten during the Sacrament Preparation Sessions.

April 18 (Thu) Rehearsal for First Eucharist (6:00-8:15pm)

First Eucharist 2024 Families get to choose their celebration mass.

Liturgies April 20 at 5:00 PM *or* April 21 at 8:30 AM or 11:15 AM

(Please do not make plans with out of town guests until your child's date/time for First Eucharist has been confirmed).

