

When?

OCTOBER 19: 1ST RECONCILIATION,
CURRENT 3RD GRADERS

DECEMBER 4TH & 5TH: 1ST HOLY
COMMUNION, CURRENT 3RD GRADERS

APRIL 2021: 1ST RECONCILIATION,
CURRENT 2ND GRADERS

OCTOBER 2021: 1ST HOLY COMMUNION,
CURRENT 2ND GRADERS

Preparation?

IN ADDITION TO THE WEEKLY
LITURGICAL LESSON, VIDEO, &
ACTIVITIES, STUDENTS AND
PARENTS WILL WORK TOGETHER
ON THE SIGNS OF GRACE
SACRAMENTAL PREP. LESSONS.
MONTHLY ZOOM MEETINGS WILL
REVIEW MATERIAL FROM THESE
LESSONS.



Sacrament Information

Details for each on back...



Requirements?

- WEEKLY MASS ATTENDANCE
- ATTENDANCE & ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN CFF CLASSES
- 5 TOTAL HOURS OF SERVICE: 2 IN DOMESTIC CHURCH, 2 IN PARISH CHURCH, & 1 IN LARGER CHURCH (OPPORTUNITIES & EXAMPLES WILL BE PRESENTED FOR EACH)
- ATTENDANCE OF 6 TOTAL PARENT MEETINGS (NOV., JAN. 2021, APRIL 2021, MAY 2021, SEPT. 2021, OCT. 2021) FOR CURRENT 2ND GRADE PARENTS

Family Projects!

- PUTTING THE PIECES BACK TOGETHER
- MY SAINT CARD
- FIRST HOLY COMMUNION BANNER

When?



Due to the circumstances of having to shorten the 2019-2020 CFF year, current 3rd graders were unable to make their First Reconciliation in the Spring as planned. For this reason, they will receive their Sacrament on October 21st. First Holy Communion, which was already set to happen for current third graders this Fall, will be received the weekend of December 4th & 5th. Details of procedures will be shared by November. Current 2nd graders will begin preparing for both Sacraments this year! As of now, they are scheduled to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in April of 2021 and First Holy Communion in October of 2021, during the first semester of their 3rd grade year.



Preparation!

All 2nd and 3rd grade students will follow the Scripture lesson, activities, and discussion in every weekly playlist. In addition, they will have a Sacramental preparation lesson from the Signs of Grace program. The monthly 2nd and 3rd grade Zoom meetings will review information from the Sacrament lesson. We ask that parents go through these lessons with their children and talk about the discussion questions together.

Family Projects!



Working together as a family toward a common goal builds unity, relationship, and a sense of purpose. These projects are meant to gather your family as you work on meaningful reminders of God's love for each of us, as well as of our place and purpose as members of Body of Christ each with different talents and gifts from the one Spirit for the common good.

- Putting the pieces back together: For this project, each family will submit a picture that represents forgiveness to them. This can be a picture of a family activity, something in nature, a religious item, something in the church, etc. Photos will need to be submitted to CFF coordinator by Jan. 31, 2021. Puzzles will be created and returned to families by early to mid March. Families will then work together to piece together the puzzle and submit a picture of the finished puzzle to the CFF coordinator by April 11, 2021. This activity represents the way that we are all pieced together through the love and forgiveness given to us through Reconciliation.
- My Saint Card (Due Jan 10, 2021): For this project, each child will create a saint card for themselves. Included will be a photo and at least 5 of the following listed: patron saint of ..., my feast day is (does not have to be birthday)..., 3 gifts/talents I used to serve God and the Church are..., my favorite prayer, my favorite Bible verse, my job choice, my favorite part about the Catholic Faith, something that represents me is... The idea behind this project is to show the students that saints lived ordinary lives, just like them, and that just like the saints, they can build a friendship with Christ and work to build the Kingdom of Heaven here on Earth and become Sainly too!
- First Communion Banner (3rd Grade due by Nov. 15, 2020; 2nd Grade due by Oct. 3, 2021): Families will create a First Communion banner that will be hung in the Church. The banner should include the child's name, items that represent the Eucharist, as well as items that represent the joy of being in full communion with Christ! *Felt, rod, and hanging ribbon will be provided



Requirements



- We strongly encourage families to attend (or watch while dispensation continues) weekly Mass together as this shows belonging and being faithful to the one Body of Christ, the Church.
- Students preparing to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be required to attend and actively participate in weekly CFF classes and monthly Zoom meetings, until such a time that we can safely gather. Only 4 total absences will be allowed without a valid excuse for absence.
- Jesus showed his love through his service to his disciples and others. As we are called to follow the example of Christ, we are also called to serve. 5 total hours will be required prior to receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion. 2 hours will take place in the Domestic Church as demonstrated by helping in the home with a good attitude and without being asked. 2 hours will take place in the parish, by completing services such as altar serving, participating in Nativity play, and other events & activities that will be announced throughout the year. 1 hour will be take place for the universal Church in opportunities such as giving food the hungry, clothes to those in need, and care for the vulnerable by such activities as writing Christmas cards to the elderly and/or sick. A log for parents to keep track of and document service hours can be found on the back of this page.
- Christ the King Cathedral recognizes you, the parent, as the primary catechist and nurturer of your child's faith, and we are here to help! We will provide 6 parent formation sessions from the same Sacrament Preparation curriculum being used to prepare your child, so that you are re-invigorated and feel more secure in walking with and helping your child along this journey toward coming into full communion with Christ. Parent sessions will take place in November 2020, January 2021, and April 2021 for 1st Reconciliation, and in May 2021, September 2021, and October 2021 for First Holy Communion. Two class days will be offered in an effort to accommodate schedules. As this is a new component of Sacramental preparation, only parents of current 2nd grade students will attend these parent classes.

