

Holy Ghost Catholic Church

November 11, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

In the midst of so much uncertainty, we are grateful for the opportunity and are looking forward to the celebration of the sacraments with your child. This is a special time for your children and your families, as well as for our parish. As your children begin preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion, we want to make sure that you have all of the resources and information you need. To this end, we have scheduled a mandatory meeting that will be held on **Wednesday, November 18th at 10am, 12N, and 6pm**. Seating is limited; therefore, you must sign up for the meeting through Signup Genius:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0949AAA92FA4F85-first>. (Only one parent must attend one of these meetings). At this meeting, we will discuss the online preparation process and resources.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation starting with a Penance Service on **Saturday, December 5th at 10am** the Sacrament of Reconciliation will follow.

The enrollment form for First Communion, an outline of the important dates for First Reconciliation and First Communion, and a copy of the Act of Contrition can be found on the church website: www.hgchurch.org, click on **Sacramental Prep**, and scroll down to **First Communion**. For your convenience, the registration form and the list of important dates are attached. **The enrollment form must be returned at the parent meeting or to the school office no later than Friday, November 20th.**

Please mark your calendars... First Communion is scheduled for **Saturday, January 30th at 10am** and **Saturday, February 6th at 10am**. Up to 34 children may receive First Communion at each Mass and will be filled on a first-come-first-serve basis. More information will be shared at the parent meeting regarding the number of reserved seats per family, reception of the sacrament, and guidelines during COVID.

We thank you for the opportunity to help guide your child and family through this sacramental preparation. By learning more about the sacraments of reconciliation and eucharist, may you actively guide and prepare your child to celebrate it.

Respectfully,



Father Roberto Merced, O.P.
Pastor



Cayet Mangiaracina, O.P.
Associate-Pastor



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REGISTRATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Student Information:

E-MAIL(s): _____

Student: _____
First
Middle
Last

Address: _____ Phone: () _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

School: _____ #Years Religious Ed. _____

Sex: M F Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Place of Birth: _____
City, State

Church of Baptism: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Copy of Certificate: Yes No Date of Baptism: ____/____/____

Reconciliation: Holy Ghost Church, Saturday, December 5th, 2020 at 10am

****Please indicate which mass you will be receiving the sacrament (Check one) ****

- Eucharist:** Saturday, January 30th, 2021 at 10am
Saturday, February 6th, 2021 at 10am

Family Information:

Registered: Yes No

Church Parish: _____ ID# _____

Father's Full Name: _____ Phone: _____
Cell

Mother's Full MAIDEN Name: _____ Phone: _____
Cell

SIBLINGS:

<u>NAMES</u>	<u>AGE/GRADE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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****This form must be returned with a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate if not baptized at Holy Ghost Church****

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First Reconciliation and First Communion Important Dates 2020-21

Registration Forms (go to www.hgchurch.org, click on [Sacramental Prep](#), scroll down to *First Communion*, complete the fill-able form and return it with a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate)

Return to: *School or Trisha's office*

Due: *Friday, November 20, 2020*

Mandatory Reconciliation & Communion Parent Meeting

(Parents/Guardians Only—must attend **one of these meetings**, ****Masks must be worn****)

Location: *Parish Hall Annex*

[Sign up for Meeting through Signup Genius:](#)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0949AAA92FA4F85-first>

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 10am, 12N, or 6pm

First Reconciliation

Location: *Holy Ghost Church*

Saturday, December 5th, 10am at Holy Ghost

First Communion (2 dates offered due to # of First Communicants)

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