

## FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

ASSUMPTION AND RESURRECTION PARISHES

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

2024-25

Dear Parents and Guardians:

If your child is 7 years of age (or older), has been Baptized, and you wish them to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation, please contact Maura at the parish office (780-468-4071) or email [Maura.Usher@caedm.ca](mailto:Maura.Usher@caedm.ca)

Parents are the first and most important model of the faith for their child. Therefore, your active participation in the sacramental preparation program is critical. We ask that **at least ONE parent** attend each session with their child.

It is never too late to have your children participate in Sacramental Preparation. If your child is older (in upper elementary, junior high or senior high school), please contact Maura and the team will connect with you.

### Orientation and Registration Meeting

**DATE:** Sunday, December 8, 2024

**TIME:** 12:30-2:30 pm

**PLACE:** Resurrection Church (10555- 50A St.) in Fr. Willy Hall

**\*\* at least ONE parent and the child are asked to attend\*\***

At this **Orientation and Registration Meeting** time will be provided:

- To hand-in all completed registration forms (please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate),
- To pay a fee of **\$40.00 per child**. this fee is to help defray the costs associated with the entire program. This would include the resources, supplementary materials, snacks ...
- To introduce the team of catechists (teachers),
- To hand out and introduce the resource books for the program: "*On Our Way with Jesus*" and review the dates, times and location of all sessions,
- To conclude with a Family Advent Celebration!

**PLEASE SEE OPPOSITE SIDE FOR IMPORTANT DATES ...**

**First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation  
Sacramental Preparation Program  
2024-2025**

1. All sessions, for both parishes, will take place at **Resurrection Church** (10555- 50A St).
2. The Orientation and Registration Meeting takes place on Sunday December 8 at 12:30 pm, all other sessions in 2024 occur on ONE Sunday per month from 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm at **Resurrection Church**.
3. Every Session begins with the celebration of Sunday Mass at 11:00am.
4. Light lunch will be provided between Mass and each session for the child and their accompanying adult. This time will also assist us with taking attendance, handing out name tags and ensuring any last-minute paperwork can be done
5. At least ONE parent and the child are asked to attend each session. We encourage all family members to come celebrate Mass together, however we ask that families arrange for siblings to be cared for off premises after Mass.

**PROGRAM CALENDAR 2024-2025**

**ORIENTATION AND REGISTRATION MEETING:** Sunday December 8 at 12:30-2 pm (at Resurrection Church after Mass) ... please bring completed registration forms, a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate and \$40.00 fee.

**SESSION 1:** Sunday, Jan.. 12 from 12:30-2:00pm (after Mass at Resurrection)

**SESSION 2:** Sunday, Feb. 9 from 12:30-2:00pm (after Mass at Resurrection)

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION:** **Saturday Feb 22nd** 10:30 am at Resurrection Church.

**SESSION 3:** Sunday, March 9 from 12:30-2:00pm (after Mass at Resurrection)

**SESSION 4:** Sunday, April 27 from 12:30-2:00pm (after Mass at Resurrection)

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES:**

For **Assumption Parish:** Sunday, May 4 (at 9:30 am Mass)

For **Resurrection Parish:** Sunday, May 4 (at 11:00 am Mass)