



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

*We prepare together to come before the mercy of the Lord in **First Reconciliation**, and to receive God truly present in the **Holy Eucharist** at the Mass.*

WHO IS THIS PROGRAM FOR?

- Children who are **Baptized** and in Grade 2 and up.
- Grade 2 students of Immaculate Conception and Monsignor O'Donoghue schools.
- Children of any family who attends Immaculate Conception Parish.
- If your child does not attend these schools, either:
 - *Register at Immaculate by contacting the parish office.*
 - *Provide a Letter of Reference from your home priest.*

WHEN?

- Starting in October, 2023.
- Wednesdays from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.
- See online *Letter to Parents with Schedule*, for specific dates of sacramental preparation sessions, retreats and celebrations.

WHERE?

- Sessions will take place at Immaculate Conception parish hall.

WHO IS GUIDING THE PROGRAM?

- Lisa Hiltz (Monsignor O'Donoghue Librarian & Catechesis/Sacrament leader since 2002)
- Kathy Hiltz (Immaculate's Children's Liturgy facilitator & Catechesis/Sacrament leader since 2002)
- Contact info:
 - Email: lhiltz@pvnccdsb.on.ca
 - Phone: 249-357-7052 (or leave message at the parish office)

HOW TO REGISTER?

- Complete *Immaculate Conception First Holy Communion Registration Form*
 - Available at the parish office
 - Online at: immaculatepeterborough.ca/sacraments
- Provide Baptismal Certificate
- Pay fee of \$50 (includes First Reconciliation & First Eucharist Student Guides)
(Cash; cheque to: Immaculate Conception; or eTransfer to: office@immaculatepeterborough.ca)
- Submit all above to Immaculate Conception parish office.

WHAT IS EXPECTED?

- Imperative for parents to attend at least the first session with the candidate(s).
- Parents are required to read the Student Guide and accompany the child through each chapter.
- Children will read and reflect on the content of each chapter as a foundation for the catechetical resources that will be used to enhance each chapter.