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Registration Notice for First Reconciliation & First Communion

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Children who will be in Grade 2 (ages 7 and up) in September are eligible to prepare for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion.

Registration will be held on September 23 and September 30 after the Sunday Masses at Holy Name of Mary Church. Mass times are 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Please bring a photocopy of your child's baptismal certificate. Registration forms will be at the church and someone will be there to answer your questions.

If your child requires the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Baptisms are celebrated five times a year (first Sunday of October, December, February, April, June) and require parent and child preparation and three months' notice.

We will be using a new and highly engaging program from Dynamic Catholic, called *Blessed*. Faith formation sessions will be held at the church on October 21, November 18, January 20, February 17, March 24, and May 19 immediately following the 10:30 Mass. Mass attendance and participation in the sessions by the candidate and at least one parent or guardian is required. Materials costs for two workbooks will be \$40 total and is payable in installments if desired.

A **Parent Information Session** will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Church. Attendance by at least one parent or guardian is required.

Enrollment of registered candidates will be held during the 10:30 Mass on October 21. **First Reconciliation** will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 7 p.m. All children are required to receive the sacrament of First Reconciliation prior to receiving First Communion. **First Communion** will be celebrated at each of the Masses on the weekend of May 25/26.

We look forward to making this journey with you and your child!
Yours in Christ,

Fr. Paul and the HNM Sacramental Preparation Team

First Reconciliation & First Communion Program Schedule 2018 - 2019

Activity	Dates	Times
Registration	Sunday September 23 and Sunday September 30, 2018	After the 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses
Parent Information Session	Wednesday October 10, 2018	7:00-8:00 p.m. at the Church
Enrollment Mass	Sunday October 21, 2018	10:30 a.m.
Faith Formation Sessions	Part 1: Sunday October 21, 2018 Part 2: Sunday November 18, 2018 Part 3: Sunday January 20, 2019 Part 4: Sunday February 17, 2019 Part 5: Sunday March 24, 2019 Part 6: Sunday May 19, 2019	10:30 Mass – 1 p.m.
First Reconciliation	Wednesday May 1, 2019	7 p.m.
First Communion	Saturday May 25, 2019 Sunday May 26, 2019	4:30 p.m. 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

