



# Holy Family Parish

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## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Sacraments are vital expressions of who we are as Catholic Christians. Each time we receive a sacrament we respond in a deeper way to Jesus' call to discipleship.

First Communion, First Reconciliation & Confirmation are Parish based celebrations and work in conjunction with the Catholic Schools & families.

## WHO CAN RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS?

The Sacramental preparation programs; First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation are for all children belonging to Holy Family Parish.

## PREREQUISITITES

**First Communion & First Reconciliation:** for children (grade 2 & up) who have received the sacrament of Baptism or Profession of Faith in the Roman Catholic Church.

**Confirmation:** for children (grade 6 & up) who have received the sacraments of; Baptism or Profession of Faith in the Roman Catholic Church, First Communion and First Reconciliation.

If your child has not yet been **baptized or needs to make the Profession of Faith in the Roman Catholic Church**, additional catechesis may be required before his or her sacramental preparation begins. Baptism comes before all of the other Sacraments.

## REGISTRATIONS

Registration forms and schedules are updated each year and available at the Parish office, Church greeting area and on website. Registration forms and schedules can be printed off from our website.

**Please provide a photocopy of your child's baptismal certificate at the time of registration.**

**Please contact Ellen Baiton or the parish office at (403) 527-6933 for further information.**

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### CHURCH

The parish offers a gathering place & worship space for the faith community. With knowledge, understanding and expertise about the sacraments, clergy and other parish personnel provide leadership in the form of information, resources and instruction on the sacraments.

### HOME

The home offers parents as role models in faith and morals, giving love & support to their children. Homes provide opportunities for traditions to be celebrated and "on the spot" teaching to take place. Parents are the primary educators of their children in all aspects of life, including faith.

### SCHOOL

The school offers the Religious Education curriculum with materials, resources and teachings about the sacraments delivered in an organized, formal and pedagogically sound manner. Schools are communities with teachers as role models & witnesses to faith. Schools are communication vehicles between home and church.