

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

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Dear Parent(s):

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If you wish your son or daughter to prepare for the sacraments of first reconciliation and first holy Communion during the 2026-2027 pastoral year, please register with the parish - and as parents come in (together, in person) for an initial meeting this fall with Fr. Robert, SDS before Friday, September 25. Contact the parish office – phone: 613-733-4661 (if the phone isn't answered, leave a message).

For the meeting, please bring a **photocopy** of your child's certificate of baptism. If your son or daughter has been baptized into another Christian denomination, please let us know.

There is a fee of \$50.00. Any contributions are greatly appreciated to help the parish with costs. If there are limitations in your budget, other arrangements can be made. Cheques should be made payable to *Resurrection of Our Lord Parish*. Cash is also accepted.

The schedule for this year's classes is attached.

Preparing for this important step in your son's or daughter's journey of faith needs your family, our parish, and school, all to be present for guidance and support.

As well as formal teachings, preparation for the sacraments require church attendance.

In addition to instruction in the faith at the school and parish, the children will need opportunities at home to become more familiar with prayer and worship, with your family being active members of the Church as you are able. This preparation program includes a commitment from you as parents in teaching your child.

Classes will take place here at the parish and it is expected that while the children are at class, parents will meet in the church with Fr. Robert, SDS. These meetings will include intellectual and spiritual discussions about the challenges of living a life of faith, and include the sacraments of Reconciliation, and Holy Communion. There will be discussions about your role as parents in the continuing faith development of your son or daughter. This is also an opportunity to return to the Church as a homecoming. Program workbooks and materials will be provided.

We look forward to seeing you and working with you to prepare the children for the sacraments of first reconciliation and first Communion.

Fr. Robert SDS

Fr. Robert, SDS
(Pastor)