

Sacramental Qualifiers

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Baptized and at least seven years of age before the celebration of the sacrament (traditionally celebrated in March). (Age of Reason: Canon 989 cf 97)

Has participated in the Faith Formation Program at least the year prior to the sacramental year, and a full participant in the present year.

Attends all Sacramental Preparation sessions as scheduled at the beginning of the Faith Formation year.

Demonstrates a clear understanding of the Sacrament of Reconciliation with a firm understanding of:

- Right versus Wrong
- What is a sin?
- Forgiveness
- Making up for one's sin/wrong doing (penance)
- What it means to feel sorry for doing wrong (feeling contrite)

Is considered prepared by the Faith Formation Coordination Team and catechist.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Baptized and at least seven years of age before the celebration of the sacrament. (Age of reason: Canon 989 cf. 97).

Has participated in the Sacrament of the Reconciliation for at least the first time, at least one Faith Formation year prior. *Exceptions at the discretion of the Faith Formation Team & Pastor.*

Attends all Sacramental Preparation sessions as scheduled at the beginning of the Faith Formation year.

Demonstrates a clear understating of the Sacrament of the Eucharist:

- Jesus' Body & Blood received

Demonstrates reverence towards the sacrament and what "reverence" entails.

Is considered prepared by the Faith Formation Coordination Team and catechist.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Baptized and previously celebrated the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time.

At least fifteen years of age before the celebration of the sacrament (Confirmation traditionally celebrated in the spring)

Has completed twelve volunteer hours for the parish community or local community.

Has participated in the Confirmation Retreat.

Attends all Sacramental Preparation sessions as scheduled at the beginning of the Faith Formation year.

Demonstrates a clear understanding of the Sacrament of Confirmation

- Understands the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and how they intertwine with our own personal gifts and talents

Demonstrates his/her own free will and desire to receive the sacrament. (Not a parent's/guardian's decision)

Is considered prepared by the Faith Formation Coordination Team and catechist.