

OLOH Children's Faith Formation Sacramental Preparation Requirements: Year 1 & Year 2

- Preparing for the Sacraments of First Penance and First Holy Communion, is a **TWO YEAR** program, typically beginning in First Grade. In the second year, students will receive both Sacraments.
- The Student must be Baptized and provide a copy of the baptismal certificate upon registration enrollment into the Children's Faith Formation Program.
- All students preparing for a Sacrament must be enrolled and in attendance by September 27th. Late enrollment will count as an absence as prescribed below.
- Class attendance is required on a weekly basis. Students should arrive on time for the start of class
- A Student may miss up to 3 regular classes without a doctor's note. **After the 3rd absence a doctor's note will be required.**
 - If the absence is due to an unforeseeable family emergency, loss or situation please reach out to Gina Benedetto directly at faithformation@ladyofhope.org immediately.
- Students who miss class are required to make up the weekly lesson and homework, which will either be sent home via email no later than Tuesday following Sunday class or provided a copy of the missed lesson/homework when they return - Completing and then returning it to the next class they are in attendance for.
- If a student is not in attendance for the required dates and Retreat/Practices as prescribed, they may not meet the requirements to receive the Sacraments.

If a student has not met the requirements as prescribed above, and is not prepared to receive the Sacraments, they will be expected to repeat the year

Required Mass Attendance

- Students are required to attend mass weekly, most especially during the regularly scheduled CFF sessions.
- Each student will be provided a Mass Journal (Do Not Lose Your Copy)
 - The mass journal contains a weekly page to bring to mass, complete and **when able, SIGNED BY A MEMBER OF THE CLERGY (Deacon or Priest), and RETURNED TO CLASS WEEKLY** as part of the homework.
- Students should not miss mass more than 4 times during the **regular** CFF calendar year

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Weekly lessons, activities, and assessments will be reviewed during regular class sessions

**First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion
Sacramental Preparation Required Dates of Attendance:
January 31st, February 6th, April 11th, April 18th**

**Student and a Parent/Guardian are required to attend:
First Penance Retreat/Liturgy and Sacrament
Saturday February 6th, 2027, 9:30am - Noon**

**First Holy Communion Retreat/Practice
April 18th 10:30-Noon (during CFF) then
Parents will join students in the church for Practice from Noon -1:30pm**

**First Holy Communion
Sunday April 25th, 2027 – 9am Mass**

Children's preparation for the first reception of the Eucharist Begins in the Home.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.