

## St. Francis Xavier Cathedral and St. John the Evangelist Parish

### 2026-27 Sacramental Preparation Catholic Day and Home School PART TIME schedule

**NOTE: If your family is NOT a registered member of either St. Francis Xavier Cathedral or St. John the Evangelist, you must acquire written permission from your pastor for your child to prepare for the sacraments with us at Cathedral.**

#### Catholic Day School/Home School - Expectations for the child with assistance from parents.

1. Students have the option to attend every Wednesday from Sept. through May.
2. Students attending Catholic Day or Home School are asked to attend 6 sacramental preparation classes prior to First Confession and 6 classes prior to First Holy Communion (see below): Tuition fee for the 12 classes is \$30 for parish members/\$60 for non-registered parish members.
3. Students are expected to fulfill classroom requirements, complete the take home booklet for each sacrament and keep holy the Lord's Day by attending Mass weekly.

#### **\*FIRST CONFESSION PARENT MEETING: October 7th, 2026 in Cathedral Center**

#### **FIRST CONFESSION PREPARATION CLASSES:**

October 21, 28

November 4, 11, 18 (No class Nov. 25 - Thanksgiving Break)

December 2

**FIRST CONFESSION – Wednesday, December 9, 2026 at 4:30pm at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral**

#### **\*FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING: February 24, 2027**

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASSES:**

March 10, 17, 24 (No class March 31 - Easter break)

April 7, 14, 21

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION RETREAT – Thursday, April 22, 2027 (4:30-6:30pm) at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral (This is a retreat for PARENTS AND CHILD. All first holy communicants and at least one parent are expected to attend the retreat).**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS – Sunday, April 25, 2027 (9am @ SFXC and 10:30am @SJE)**

#### **Visits from the Pastor – The classes involving the Pastor take place within the original schedule**

**\*\*\*All students in sacramental preparation are expected to be present for classes with Father.**

**Mock Confession – November 2026**

**“How to properly receive Holy Communion” – April 2027**

Oral assessments will be given throughout the year as necessary. For each sacrament, a list of questions/answers is given to parents and the child to discuss. The expectation is that the child will have a basic understanding of the information and will put into practice the importance of daily prayer..

**\*\*\*For first Confession, the child should know The Act of Contrition, The Ten Commandments (in order); The Form: How to make a proper Confession (5 steps)**

**All first holy communicants are invited to participate in the following special parish events:**

**-Parish May Crowning (May 9, 2027 - 9am at SFXC or 10:30am at SJE)**

**-Corpus Christi Procession (May 30, 2027 - details forthcoming). We would like 100% participation if possible for the procession.**