

Our Lady Star of the Sea Children's Sacramental Preparation

First Reconciliation/First Communion Requirements:

- ✓ Family **registered** in the parish
- ✓ Children must have been **baptized** in the Catholic Faith tradition and have attained the use of reason.
- ✓ Minimum Age: **7 years old**. Canon 97: *With the completion of the seventh year, one is presumed to have the use of the reason.* This is normally the age for enrollment in **2nd grade**.
- ✓ Documents: A copy of the child's **Baptismal certificate**.
(In case of name change or a change of guardianship a legal verification of name will be needed, resulting in the request for a **Birth Certificate**.)

Formation Required:

- ✓ They are expected to know **basic prayers** including: *Sign of the Cross, The Lord's Prayer, Hail Mary and Glory Be* prior to this year. They will be learning/practicing the *Act of Contrition* this year.
- ✓ Regular and Consistent **Mass attendance**
- ✓ Enrollment in **TWO YEARS** of Faith Formation: This includes **Catholic School** and/or **Mandatory and consistent attendance in our Sunday Morning Program**.*

*Homeschool families are required to participate in Year 2 of the Sunday Morning Program. (Please refer to <http://www.seattlearchdiocese.org/Archdiocese/Policies/Documents/FirstCommunion.pdf> for more information about this policy.)

- ✓ Parent/Child Classes and Workshops (**These classes/workshops are mandatory for those receiving the Sacraments this year only.**)

What if my child is baptized, but is older than 2nd grade and has not received their First Communion? All of the above applies to your child, we will need to verify proper program placement depending on their age. Please contact sachristi@starofthesea.net

What if my child isn't baptized and is 7+ years old? All of the above applies to your child except they will also need to be on track with the RCIA class Rites. We will need a Birth Certificate, and the child will need a sponsor who is a practicing Catholic. Following all required formation the child will be received into the church at Easter Vigil. Contact Sister Amata Christi to get started!
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