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Dear First Reconciliation/Eucharist Parents:

Your child has been busy preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is hard to believe it is coming so soon! First Reconciliation will take place on Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 10:00 am (please have your child in the Church by 9:45 am).

First Reconciliation will be a Communal Rite with Individual Confession and Absolution. It will include an Opening Prayer, Scripture Reading, Homily, Examination of Conscience, Act of Contrition (expressing our sorrow together) with Individual Confession and Absolution.

After your child has received Reconciliation please have them meet you by the Baptismal Font they are free to leave. Consider doing something special afterwards to celebrate your child's Reconciliation; perhaps a favorite lunch or dessert place! This will help reinforce the importance of the sacrament.

DATES TO REMEMBER

† **First Reconciliation: Saturday, February 16, 2019 - 10:00 am.** Please have your child in the Church by 9:45 am.

† **First Eucharist Prep Session 1: Saturday, February 23, 2019 - 9:30-11:30 am**

We ask that at least one parent come for the first 30 minutes of this session for a prayer service and an overview for preparation for First Eucharist. This session will focus on Baptism and how we are all a part of God's family - the Church. (Social Hall)

† **First Eucharist Prep Session 2: Saturday, March 23, 2019 - 9:30-11:30 am**

At least one parent needs to come for the first hour of this session. This is our banner making session! The banners will be used to mark the family pew for the First Eucharist Mass. This session will also include a service with a tasting of unconsecrated hosts and wine. (Social Hall)

† **First Eucharist Rehearsal: Monday, May 6, 2019 - 6:30-7:30 pm**

Please meet in your child's designated room to be determined either the A.V. Room or School Library.

† **First Eucharist Mass and Celebration: Saturday, May 11, 2019 - 11:00 am**

Please have your child in their designated room by 10:30 am.

Thank you and God Bless!

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