



**SAINT
PETER CHANEL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the First Communion program at St. Peter Chanel! We look forward to preparing your children for First Communion. To do this adequately and in a safe way, we have a series of things that we are asking of the parents and students.

I. WHAT ARE WE EXPECTING FROM THE STUDENTS?

Journey of Faith:

- Attend Holy Mass every Sunday.
- Please pray the Holy Rosary daily and read the Holy Bible.

Classes:

- Classes will be held every **Wednesday** from **4:00PM to 5:30PM**.
- **Every week one parent is to accompany their child to class.**
- First class will begin on **Wednesday, September 14, 2022.**
- We ask that the students **be punctual**. Please arrive 10 minutes before the scheduled class time.
- **Every week the student is to bring their Catechism Book, a notebook and a pencil.**
- No more than 6 absences are permitted.
- The students are to dress modestly and behave in a manner that is respectful of the House of God.

Homework:

- **Another essential part of the class is the weekly homework.** Each week the child will receive a homework assignment, which consists of some simple questions that they are to answer, and some prayers that they are asked to pray every day.
- The children will need some assistance from their parents to complete the homework. Parents are asked to sign the homework every week.

Note that students will not have sponsors for their First Holy Communion, since it is NOT a requirement of the Catholic Church.

II. WHAT ARE WE ASKING OF THE PARENTS?

Accompany your child in their Christian journey (*see Catechism of the Catholic Church #'s 2221-2231*):

- **At least one parent must attend class each week with their child.** When you come to class, please bring a notebook and a pen or pencil.
- Active participation in the Sacraments; go to **Holy Mass every Sunday**; **Confession**: we recommend once a month.
- Please pray the **Holy Rosary daily** and read the **Holy Bible**, especially the Gospels.

III. COVID-19 PANDEMIC

- All participants must adhere to the COVID-19 and Parish safety protocols.

Please know that your child and family are in our prayers and we look forward to walking together in this beautiful Christian journey of our Catholic faith, with the help of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.