

Sacramental Prep Year 2 (2016-17):

All Year 2 Retreats will be at St. Max

Parent Info Nights (for children entering Year 1):

Sunday, October 2nd (Holy Cross, 4:00 - 5:30pm)

Monday, October 3rd (St. Bart's, 7:00 - 8:30pm)

Wednesday, October 5th (St. Max, 7:00 - 8:30pm)

Parents receive Shalom Box instructions via email prior to Retreat #1* ??

Retreat #1: Forgiveness and Mercy (The Sacrament of Reconciliation)

Parents receive Reconciliation Folder

Parents and children will learn about forgiveness and mercy, and practice how to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Sunday, November 6th @ 2:00 - 4:00pm

Sunday, November 14th @ 4:00 - 6:00pm

Reconciliation Service:

Sunday, November 20th @ 3:30pm at Holy Cross

Retreat #2: The Sacrament of Confirmation

Parents and children will learn about the Third Person of the Trinity, and explore the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how we can use them.

Sunday, January 22nd @ 2:00 - 4:00pm

Monday, January 30th @ 4:00 - 6:00pm

Retreat #3: The Holy Spirit and You

Parents and children will learn about living Christian lives of service and Catholic social teaching. With a focus on the call to service at the Last Supper, children will learn the Works of Mercy and how the Holy Spirit calls us to serve and love others.

Sunday, February 12th @ 2:00 - 4:00pm

Monday, February 27th @ 4:00 - 6:00pm

Retreat #4: Jesus, the Bread of Life

Parents and children learn about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and how the Eucharist nourishes our spiritual life.

Sunday, March 12th @ 2:00 - 4:00pm
Monday, March 20th @ 4:00 - 6:00pm

Rite of Calling to Completion of Initiation:

Sunday, April 2nd 9:30am Mass @ Holy Cross
Sunday, April 2nd 10:30am Mass @ St. Maximilian Kolbe
Sunday, April 2nd 11:00am Mass @ St. Barthomolew

Retreat #5: The Sacrament of the Eucharist

Parents and children learn the Order of the Mass and how to more fully engage in the liturgy.

Sunday, April 30th @ 2:00 - 4:00pm
Monday, May 8th @ 4:00 - 6:00pm

Family Consultations:

Parents and children have an interview with a member of the pastoral staff to assess readiness to be fully initiated into the church community. Children must bring their completed booklets.

May/June by appointment

Banner Kit Potluck:

Children will receive their banner kit at a potluck gathering.

Rehearsal:

Sponsors (if able) and the children preparing for Confirmation and First communion attend a rehearsal in order to practice for the ceremony. Children must bring their completed banner and service project poster.

During the week before the Ceremony.

Confirmation and First Communion Ceremony:

We will notify families immediately as soon as we hear back from the Bishop's Office in early January regarding the 2017 dates for the Sacrament ceremonies.