



Sacramental Preparation

In order to prepare properly to receive a sacrament, a student must have been in religious education class on year prior to attending a class, which prepares for a sacrament. Student that need attend St. James previously will to provide proof of completion. These sacraments include First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. The attendance policy will be followed and upheld. Confirmation is a two-year program and students must attend both years to receive the sacrament. Students are expected to attend PSR regularly even after Sacraments are received. Regular attendance and participation in all activities is necessary to receive the Sacraments along with home support. At least one parent is required to attend all parent meetings.

Parenting is a Calling

One of the supreme gifts of marriage is bringing forth new life. God entrust children to parents how have a primary right and duty to educating their children in the practice of their faith. Parents carry out this responsibly by creating a home full of love, forgiveness, respect, and fidelity. The family is where children learn to honor God and moral values. In the rite of the sacrament of Baptism, parents receive the call from God to evangelize their children, as summarized in the following:

You have asked to have your child baptized. In doing so you are accepting the responsibly of training him/her in the practice of faith. It will be your duty to bring him/her u to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor. You will be the first teachers of your child in the ways of faith. May you also be the best teachers, bearing witness to the faith by what you say and do, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Parish School of Religion programs are partnership with the family in proclaiming and witnessing to the person and life of Jesus Christ. They assist parents in fulfilling their responsibility as the primary educators of their children.