



St. Ambrose Catholic Church

PASTOR: Fr. Donatello Iocco

782 Browns Line
Etobicoke, ON M8W 3W2

Sept 15, 2023

To: Parents of Children who are currently in Grade 2
From: Father Donatello, Pastor
Rose Rossetti, Catechist

Re: Sacrament of 1st Holy Communion 2024

Dear Parent(s),

I just wanted to take this time to offer you some information regarding First Holy Communion **2024**.

Part of the preparation is **attending mass at St. Ambrose**. Children will be given a Christian Passport booklet and will be stamped after mass.

In past few years we have started a new First Holy Communion program online called "**Catholic Online School**". Please go to www.catholiconline.school, and click **Courses** then under Religion A-Z click **First Holy Communion/Certificate**. There are 11 lessons, each video lesson is approximately 4 minutes followed by a quiz. We recommend and encourage parents to help and follow along with your child(ren) when they are doing the lesson and quiz.

Please read the summary below:

This course features 11 mobile-friendly video lessons. In order to earn the Certificate of Completion, **a student must play 100% of the video from beginning to end. If the video is skipped, or viewed at less than 100%, then credit for that portion of the course will not be registered.** A student is required to complete 100% of all lessons, including passing all quizzes to earn a certificate of completion. **The student must click the continue button through every section of every course and watch 100% of the videos.**

The deadline for the Certificate of Completion must be given to Fr. Donatello or drop off at the parish on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024**. If a student finishes the lessons earlier you can drop off the Certificate of Completion at the parish office. This certificate is proof of your child's completion of the course. The certificate is required in order for the student to receive their Sacrament. Along with the online study Fr. Donatello will visit the students at school. **Also, there will be a 5 classes before 1st Communion and 1st Confession (Reconciliation) to recap and go through the Sacrament of Confession process.**

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Information meeting and Registration form drop off date is:

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH @ 11:00am in the Church

To register, please go to our website and complete the Form and print it off, attaching a copy of your child's baptism certificate, if your child is not Baptized, please speak with Father Donatello before you attend this meeting. Please note that we will NOT accept hand written forms.

This is the only day that we will accept Registration Forms and you will need to attend the MANDATORY information meeting. If you cannot make this date you must have someone attend on your behalf to drop off form and attend meeting so they will be able to communicate to you what was said at the meeting. **There are NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Regarding the 5 classes and 1st confession – these classes and 1st confession plus rehearsal are **mandatory** and again no exceptions. If you cannot commit to these dates, please note that you can opt out and have your child receive in 2025 when you can commit to the dates.

We ask that you please sign **below ONLY if you are agreeing that you are committed to the dates with no exceptions.**

Dates that you will commit to:

Certificate of Completion Form	February 17, 2024	Drop off at office during office hours only
Registration & Meeting	February 24, 2014	In church
Catechism Class	Dates	
11:00am – 12:00 noon	March 9, 2024	In church
11:00am – 12:00 noon	March 16, 2024	In church
11:00am – 12:00 noon	March 23, 2024	In church
11:00am – 12:00 noon	April 6, 2024	In church
Sacrament of Penance	11:00am April 13, 2024	In church
Rehearsal	2:30pm April 20, 2024	In church

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION APRIL 27, 2024 @ 10:30AM

By signing below, you are committing to all dates with NO exceptions.

Child's Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

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