

FIRST COMMUNION INFORMATION GUIDE

February 4, 2012

6:00 pm – Inscription Service in the Church
Student's paper hearts will be available after Mass in the back of the church.
Mass booklet will be given to each family.

April 28, 2012

9:00-10:30 am – Rehearsal for First Communion
Students will meet in the Family Life Center

Students will be dismissed from the Family Life Center at **10:30 am**

Family Banners Due

Directions are included in this packet

April 29, 2012

2:30 pm – Students assemble in the Family Life Center

2:45 pm – Process to Church

3:00 pm – First Communion Mass

First Communion Attire:

Girls – Short or long white dress with veil, flowers or ribbon
on head

Boys – White shirt, white tie, and navy or black slacks
(jacket optional)

We ask that you please leave rosaries, prayer books, gloves, and purses etc.
at home. The children's hands need to be free to receive Holy Communion

Veils, White Ties, Banner Kits, and other religious articles are available
for purchase in the Parish Bookstore.

Bookstore Hours are as follows:

Monday - Friday 9:00-3:00

Tuesday – 9:00-5:00

Sunday – 9:00-12:00

Pictures:

Class pictures will be taken in the church immediately following mass. **Do not leave the church until your child has had their class picture taken.**
A reception for family and friends will be held in the Family Life Center following Mass.

During the reception, photographers from Lifetouch will be available in Kindergarten classrooms 103 and 104 for individual photographs.

Pictures will be available for purchase on the Lifetouch website at www.lifetouchevents.com

Use Pass Code **CHRS 292** (ALL IN CAPS) to view your photographs.

First Communion DVD:

The First Communion Mass will be filmed.

DVD order forms are included in this packet and on the web-site.

Child Care:

The nursery will be available to those First Communion Families with pre-school children.

Registration is necessary.

Please call the nursery at 225-0711

Guests Priests and Deacons:

Guest Priest and Deacons are welcome to participate at the First Communion Mass. **Please Note:** If a visiting Priest or Deacon is from another Diocese, Monsignor Malone will have to apply for a visiting clergy request from the Chancery. This application needs to be submitted 30 days prior to First Communion.

Contact: Delia Barr at the church office with your request.

225-6774 #243

Altar Servers
Eucharistic Ministers
Lectors
Ushers

Sign-up sheets are available at this evenings meeting.

You will be contacted regarding your assignment.

Included in this Packet:

10 Mass Sheets – to be turned in as they are completed.

These sheets will also be available on the church web-site.

www.ctklr.org

Permission Form – In order for your child to practice with the unconsecrated bread and wine, please sign and return the included permission form to you child’s teacher no later than February 13/14.

First Communion Novena – begins on Friday, April 20, 2012.

The Novena is included in this packet.

Dates to Remember:

February 4

Inscription Service – at 6:00 pm in the Church

Mass booklets will be given to each family to better assist in your child’s participation at mass.

February 12/13

Return permission slip to practice with unconsecrated bread and wine.

March 18/19

Visiting Clergy request forms due.

April 22/23

Video order forms due. (Please return to your child’s teacher.)

April 22/23

Make Nursery reservations. (225-0711)

April 20

Begin First Communion Novena

April 28

Rehearsal at 9:00 am – Meet in the Family Life Center

(Family Banners Due)

April 29

First Communion – Arrive at the Family Life Center by 2:30

Please remember, First Holy Communion is a holy and reverent time for your child.

Carefully read through the contents of this packet.

Should you have any further questions, please contact your child’s teacher.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Making a Family Banner

Materials needed:

One 9" X 12" (approximate size) piece of felt, cloth, or burlap.

Felt or Cloth for words and symbols

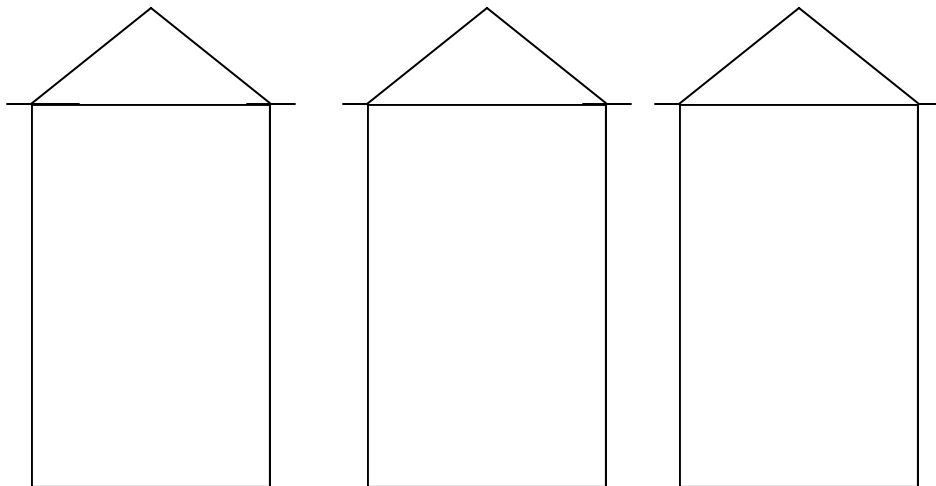
1/4" dowel rod

24" piece of yarn or string

Hot glue or needle and thread to attach to the background

This may be as simple or elaborate as you choose to make it. Do include your last name somewhere on the banner. Decorate it with symbols of the Eucharist or new life. Examples may be a chalice, host, bread, wheat, grapes, candle, flowers, or words.

Turn under 1" at the top and either sew or glue down, leaving enough space into which you may insert the dowel. Cut the dowel 1 1/2" longer than the width of your banner. Insert dowel, and tie string to both ends of the dowel so that it may hang. You may cut out or decorate the bottom of the banner any way you wish.



The CTK bookstore will have banner kits available!



D's Videography will produce a professional DVD of First Holy Communion.

Don't wait to order this great keepsake - Orders are due by 4/22/12.

No orders will be taken the day of First Communion!!

Parent's Name _____

Full Address _____

Child's Name _____

CTK Classroom _____ Sunday School Classroom _____

Number of DVDs ordering _____ X \$22 (price per DVD)

Total Amount Enclosed _____

Please pay by check only - payable to CTK PTO.

**Please return payment and order form to the child's teacher
in an envelope labeled "Communion DVD Order"**

Portions of the proceeds benefit the PTO! Thanks for your support!

Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Saturday, February 4, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it today, in the Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday in _____

2. What color is Father wearing?

blue pink red gold green purple

3. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Isaiah Sirach Deuteronomy Job

4. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

Ephesians Corinthians Romans Philippians

5. How many altar servers are assisting the priest today?

**We Celebrated our Inscrption Service at mass, what
gifts did you receive at this mass?**

Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, February 12, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it today, in the Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday in _____

2. What color is Father wearing?

white pink red gold green purple

3. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Isaiah Leviticus Deuteronomy Job

4. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

Ephesians 1 Corinthians Romans Philippians

5. How many altar servers are assisting the priest today?

Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, February 19, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it today, in the Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday in _____

2. What color is Father wearing?

white pink red gold green purple

3. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Isaiah Leviticus Deuteronomy Job

4. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

Ephesians 2 Corinthians Romans Philippians

5. How many altar servers are assisting the priest today?

Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, February 26, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it today, in the Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday of _____

These next 40 days or so are to get ready for a wonderful day in April. What day is that?

Christmas Easter New Years Father's Day

What are some things that we do during this time of year, to help us grow closer to Christ?

Play more games. Give up something, such as candy.

Make sacrifices for Jesus. Pray a little more.

Watch less T.V. Avoid all work.

Why is this season about 40 days long?

- a. It has to be a bit more than a month.
- b. 40 is the pope's favorite number.
- c. Jesus spent 40 days in the desert, praying and resisting the devil's temptation.

2. What color is Father wearing?

blue pink red gold green purple

3. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Isaiah Sirach Deuteronomy Genesis

Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, March 4, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it, today, in the Catholic Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday of _____

2. What color is Father wearing, today?

Blue green red gold pink white purple

3. How many altar servers are helping Father, today? _____

4. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Genesis Exodus Proverbs Leviticus

Where in the Bible is this book found?

- a. It's in the New Testament.
- b. It's the first book of the Old Testament.
- c. It's right in the middle.

5. From which Psalm is the Responsorial?

Psalm 43 Psalm 33 Psalm 116

6. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

Hebrews Romans Philippians Timothy

7. From which book of the Bible is the Gospel reading from?

Matthew Mark Luke John

Bonus

Will the Gospel be from the same book next week? Why?

Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, March 11, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it, today, in the Catholic Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday of _____.

2. What color is Father wearing, today?

blue green red gold silver purple

3. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Genesis Exodus Leviticus Numbers

4. From which Psalm is the Responsorial?

Psalm 19 Psalm 23 Psalm 103 Psalm 95

What does this Psalm say?

- a. Blessed is the man who walks not in the path of sinners.
- b. Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.
- c. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.
- d. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

5. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

1 John Colossians 1 Romans 1 Corinthians

6. From which book of the Bible is the Gospel reading?

Matthew Mark Luke John

7. What is the word for the miraculous transformation of the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ?

fortification disguise transubstantiation simplification

8. There are Stations of the Cross in our church.

How many Stations are there? _____

Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, March 18, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it, today, in the Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday of _____

2. What color is Father wearing?

green pink purple red white

3. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Genesis Exodus 2 Chronicles 1 Samuel

4. From which Psalm is the Responsorial?

Psalm 137 Psalm 23 Psalm 100 Psalm 34

What does this Psalm say?

- a. The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.
- b. Shepherd me O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.
- c. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

5. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

Romans 1 Corinthians Acts Ephesians

6. From which book of the Bible is the Gospel reading?

Matthew Mark Luke John

7. How are you doing with your Lenten resolution? Have you been able to make small sacrifices or do something extra for Jesus, everyday?

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Name _____

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, March 25, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. What day is it, today, in the Church's calendar?

The _____ Sunday of _____

2. From what book of the Bible is the first reading?

Exodus Ezekiel Jeremiah Isaiah

3. From which Psalm is the Responsorial?

Psalm 51 Psalm 126 Psalm 130

What does this Psalm say?

- a. If you, O God, laid bare our guilt, O who could endure it?
- b. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.
- c. The Lord has done great things for us we are filled with joy.
- d. Create in me, create in me a clean heart, O God.

4. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

Acts 1 Hebrews Romans Philippians

5. From which book is the Gospel reading?

Matthew Mark Luke John

5. Try to pay close attention during the Eucharistic prayer so you can listen closely to the words which the priest says during the Consecration. Were you very quiet and attentive during the Consecration, today? _____

8. What is the name of the prayer that we all say together during Mass, which Jesus Himself taught us?

Hail Mary Lamb of God Our Father Nicene Creed

Name _____

(2 sided worksheet)

Mass Worksheet
Sunday, April 1, 2012

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. Today is a very special day in the Church's calendar. What day is it?

_____ Sunday of the _____ of the Lord

2. What color is Father wearing?

purple green red gold silver white

3. Did you receive something at mass today?

money presents palms Bibles

4. Catholic churches all over the world have this same tradition, today. Why do we do this?

- a. To remember that Jesus was born in a stable.
- b. To cool off because it gets very hot.
- c. To remember that Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, while people waved palm branches.

5. Why did the people do this?

- a. They thought Jesus would become their new, earthly king who would conquer all their enemies and rule their country.
- b. They didn't like Jesus and wanted to scare Him away.
- c. It was very hot and the palms cooled them off.

6. Did the priest bless your palm, today? This is a special item to place in your home where it will remind you of Jesus. What are some things you can do with your blessed palm at home?

Fold it into a Cross and put in on a shelf.

Put it behind a crucifix in your house.

Put it on a prayer table.

Place it over your bed on the wall.

Keep it next to your Bible.

7. There are two Gospel readings, today. From what book are they?

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

The second Gospel reading is very long because it talks about the most important event in Jesus' life on earth. Circle four things that happened in this reading.

- a. Jesus got lost and Mary found Him.
- b. Judas betrayed Jesus.
- c. Jesus gave us the Holy Eucharist.
- d. Peter got lost and Mary found him.
- e. Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane.
- f. Peter denied that he knew Jesus.

8. Today is the last week before Easter, Holy Week. See if you can go to Mass once or twice this week. Try to do something special for Jesus before Easter is here!

Name _____

(2 sided worksheet)

**Mass Worksheet
Sunday April 8, 2012**

The Mass was celebrated by _____ (Name of Priest)

1. Today is a very special day in the Church's calendar. What day is it?

_____ Sunday:

2. What wonderful event do we remember, today?

- a. The day Jesus was born.
- b. The day Jesus rose from the dead.
- c. The day Jesus chose all of His Apostles.

3. Look around our church. What are some special decorations for today?

flowers banners plants special pictures

4. From which book of the Bible is the first reading?

Genesis Exodus Acts Isaiah

The first reading is usually from the Old Testament, so it was written hundreds of years before Jesus was born. However today is different! Where is this book of the Bible found?

The Old Testament The New Testament Not Even in the Bible

5. From which book of the Bible is the second reading?

Colossians Hebrews Revelation Corinthians

6. From which book of the Bible is the Gospel reading?

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

What wonderful event happened in this reading?

- a. Jesus was crucified.
- b. Jesus ascended to Heaven.
- c. Jesus rose from the dead.

8. This is a wonderful, happy day. While you're enjoying the festivities remember to pause every now and then and pray quietly to Jesus, thanking and praising Him for this day.