**Sacraments in spring 2023**

1. **What is the attire for my child’s sacrament Mass?** Contact Janet if you have any questions.

**Attire for Easter Vigil**

* Boys and girls, arrive with comfortable shirt and sweat pants, shorts or leggings, and easy to remove shoes or sandals.
* You will get wet all the way through so bring a complete (including under garments) change of clothes.
* Look to the 1st Communion clothes for guidelines on attire to bring to change into after the baptism.

**Attire for First Communion**

* Boys: Black slacks, white shirt, and black tie. Other color slacks are fine. Suit jacket is optional. White tux is fine.
* Girls: White dress. White veil or hair bow optional. Comfortable shoes.
* No candles, no Bibles, no rosary until after the Mass.

**Attire for Confirmation**

* Boys: Nice Church clothes. Preferably shirt and tie. No Jeans, shorts or sweat pants. Any color is fine. Suits are fine.
* Girls: Nice church dress or skirt and blouse. Something that you can wear to Mass again. The dress can be any color. No cleavage. No open back. No open middle. Shoulders are covered (you can wear a light sweater or shrug). The dress cannot be form fitting. The dress has to be longer than your fingertips when standing straight. Shoes should be comfortable; you will need to be able to walk up the steps.
* If you are receiving your 1st Communion, you can follow the attire guidelines for 1st Communion if you like.
* Nothing in your hands.

2. **Does my child need a candle, Bible or rosary?** The children should have **nothing in their hands** (no Bible, no rosary, no candle) Gifts can be given to the children after Mass. Father will bless the items after the Mass has concluded.

3. **What do sponsors for Easter Vigil and Confirmation wear?** Nice church clothes. Ladies, please remember that you will be up front, sometimes with your hand raised or bowing. Please allow length and looser fit in your dress for movement.

4. **Is photography allowed during Mass?** We will have someone taking photos at each Mass. Please do not hire your own personal photographer; they will be asked to sit down. We ask that family and friends do not take photos during Mass. If you would like to take photos for the Mass, please contact Janet.

5. **When is rehearsal?**

**Easter Vigil** reflection and rehearsal is Saturday morning, April 8, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**1st Communion** rehearsal will be during class time.

**Confirmation** rehearsal is Sunday April 30, 6:30 pm, for candidate and sponsor (or a proxy)

6. **What time is Mass and what time does my child need arrive?**

**Easter Vigil Mass** is Saturday, April 8, 8:00 pm. Candidates and Catechumen and their sponsors arrive by 6:30 pm

**1st Communion Mass** is Saturday, May 6, 10:00 am. Children arrive by 9:00 am for group photo.

**Confirmation Mass** is (we are waiting for our date from the bishop). Candidates and Sponsors arrive an hour early for instruction from Bishop Cary and a group photo.

**7. Will there be a reception at the church after the Mass?** Each Mass will be followed by a light (cookies and lemonade) reception. The church will remain open for photos in and out of the church. After the Confirmation Mass Bishop Cary will stay as long as people want for visiting and photos.