

# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

August 16, 2017

Dear Families:

Welcome to our First Reconciliation and Eucharist Program! We are pleased to be working with you and your child as we prepare for these special sacraments.

You are the most significant person in your child's life, so your participation in the program is vital. **For this reason, we ask that you volunteer at one of the sacramental retreats.**

Grandparents or other significant adults in your child's life are welcome to volunteer in your place. Older siblings may also volunteer for service credit, but their presence would not count toward this requirement as we need a certain number of adult volunteers. Volunteers over the age of 18 must have a background check and attend (or have attended) a *Safeguarding All God's Children* class.

Enclosed you will find:

- First Eucharist Reservation Form – please fill out and return to the Christian Formation office by Sunday, November 12, 2017.
- Volunteer Retreat Registration Forms for Adult and/or Youth Volunteers – please fill out and return to the Christian Formation office by Sunday, November 12, 2017.
- List of Event Dates for your reference.

One last reminder: **if your child was not baptized at St. Joseph's, we need a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate before they receive the sacraments.** Please drop off a copy by November 7, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Yours in Christ,

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