



Spirit of Christ Faith Formation & Children's Sacramental Preparation Information

Sacramental Preparation for the Archdiocese of Denver follows the ["Restored Order"](#). This Sacramental order allows children access to the beautiful graces of all of the Sacraments of Initiation at a young age when they are docile and ready to receive the grace. It also requires more parental participation and follow up to ensure that children stay grounded in the faith and formed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Because the faith draws upon the greater community, the Church, Spirit of Christ does not offer an independent or online Sacramental Preparation Class. Please plan accordingly for your child to receive these Sacraments.

SPY1 (Sacramental Prep. Year 1)-Preparation for 1st Reconciliation~2nd grade (through 5th grade)

SPY2 (Sacramental Prep. Year 2)-Preparation for Confirmation & First Eucharist~3rd-5th grade

****Please note that a child must complete Sacramental Preparation Year 1 to move into Sacramental Preparation Year 2.****

There are two components to Sacramental Preparation at Spirit of Christ Parish: Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation. (Faith Formation is a standard for all children regardless if they are in Sacramental Preparation.)

Anchor ~ Faith Formation for the entire family	Sacramental Preparation ~ For each year of the 2 year process
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Preschool-5th Gr., Parent/Guardian Class, Nursery Available Time set aside in the middle of the week for the whole family to learn and grow in the faith. ● Wednesday Nights 6:00-7:15 through the school year. (The Middle School EDGE Program is offered at the same time.) ● At least one guardian must attend meetings if children are enrolled, but it is highly encouraged for the entire family. ● Faith Formation Component: 80% or better in-class Anchor attendance is required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3 In-person Meetings: Sacramental Preparation meetings with Adult and Child. 1.5 hr. Meeting held on a Sunday in September, January, & April or May. "Charting your Course" A Pastoral meeting for the parent/guardian and child to meet personally with a staff or clergy member. ● Retreat Day. 8:45am-2:00pm. A fun day for the child to prepare for the Sacraments through different stations and experiences. ● Regular Sunday Mass Attendance Required.

All Sacramental Preparation Meetings are mandatory and there are no make-up classes. Exceptions will be made for extenuating circumstances that require an absence. Sports activities do not count as extenuating circumstances. There will be some at home practice and assignments to complete in order to prepare for the Sacraments.

Registration: June-August. Registration will close the 3rd week in August to allow us to prepare with the proper materials, books, etc. and the number of Catechists needed to teach all the classes. There will be no registration midway through the school year. Register at Spiritofchrist.org.

Volunteer opportunities available! We look forward to having your family join us at Anchor and for Sacramental Prep!