



# ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

October 16, 2023

Dear First Eucharist Candidate Parents,

I hope that the academic year is going well for you and your child. In a few months, your child(ren) will be receiving their First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Catholic Church teaching states that *“Catechesis is to be provided prior to the celebration of a sacrament and is primarily directed to adults, adult candidates for the sacrament, and to parents of children preparing for the sacrament.”*

**First Reconciliation Afternoon of Reflection and Parent Meeting:**

Sunday, January 21, 2024, 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM. Parents and candidates attend this meeting and meet in the church. There are three options for receiving First Reconciliation.

**Option 1:** Our communal celebration of First Reconciliation with guest priests to assist Father Randy and Father Nutan on Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 10:00 AM in the church.

**Option 2:** SAS candidates may receive their First Reconciliation with their classmates in church during a school day. Parents may be present but will not be seated with their child. Your child will be scheduled on one of the following dates and times: January 26, 2024, or February 2, 2024, from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM.

A similar school night opportunity for PSR candidates is scheduled for Thursday, January 25, 2024, at 6:00 PM.

**Option 3:** Parents may bring the candidate to any of the regularly scheduled times of Reconciliation (*published in the weekly church bulletin*) in the Reconciliation room in church. This option gives the candidate the experience of the private way they will receive the sacrament in the future. Parents may contact Father Randy at [rcuevas@staloyusparish.com](mailto:rcuevas@staloyusparish.com) to find out when he will be the confessor at the regularly scheduled times.

**First Eucharist Afternoon of Reflection and Parent Meeting:** Sunday, February 25, 2024, from 1:30 PM-3:30 PM. Parents and candidates attend this meeting and meet in the church.

**First Eucharist** will be celebrated during the weekend of April 13, 2024, during the 4:30 PM Vigil Mass and April 14, 2024, during the 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM and 5:30 PM Masses.

Please see the First Reconciliation/Eucharist Registration Form on the next page with this letter. You may complete the form online on our website, [www.aloysius.org](http://www.aloysius.org), or if you prefer, print, and return it to the Pastoral Services Center. Please choose your option for First Reconciliation on this form.

Choosing your First Eucharist Mass for the weekend of April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> will take place later.

The deadline to complete and submit the registration form is Monday, November 13, 2023.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Blessings,

*Tricia Greely*

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**ST ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH  
FIRST RECONCILIATION  
FIRST EUCHARIST**

**Return this form to the Pastoral Services Center by Monday 11-13-23.**

**REGISTRATION 2023-2024**

**Candidate's Name:**

First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Baptized Catholic Yes  No

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Gender M \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address *(if different from above)* \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Information**

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Maiden Last

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a registered household of St. Aloysius Parish? Yes  No

If not, parish name \_\_\_\_\_

My choice for First Reconciliation is: (Check One)

- Option 1 Communal Celebration Saturday, February 3, 2024, 10:00 AM.
- Option 2 SAS candidates may receive their First Reconciliation with their classmates. Dates and time are January 26 and/or February 2, 2024, 8:30-10:00 AM.  
PSR may receive it with their class on Thursday January 25, 2024, 6:00 PM.
- Option 3 Candidates may receive First Reconciliation during regularly scheduled times.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_