

• PREPARING AT HOME FOR •

FIRST COMMUNION & FIRST RECONCILIATION



PRAY TOGETHER EVERY DAY

There are many important ways to prepare for the sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation. The most important thing, however, is to pray every day. When we pray, we invite God into our hearts and our minds; we draw near to him and he is the best Teacher of all.

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THEME 4 'WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD AT MASS'

Your family can have a 'Liturgy of the Word' together on Sunday's. Use this Grow in Love theme to review the order of readings and responses.

THEME 5 'RECONCILIATION'

Use lessons one and two to have a chat about choices and learn from Zaccheus, whom Jesus helped repent and begin to lead a holy life. In Lesson 3, find helpful videos of a priest and children walking through the rite of Reconciliation.

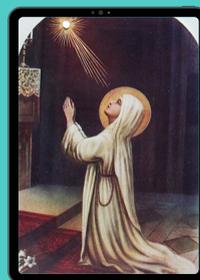
THEME 6 'AT MASS WE GIVE THANKS & RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION'

In lesson one, 'Do This in Memory of Me,' use the videos and worksheets to review what Jesus did and said at the Last Supper. Lesson two explains the offertory procession and a helpful worksheet is included with videos. Lesson three, 'At Mass We Receive Holy Communion.' Use videos and an online sequencing game to grow in understanding of the Mass and the gift of Holy Communion.

CHILDREN SAINTS OF THE EUCHARIST



St Tarcisus
3rd century Roman altar server who gave his life for the Eucharist



Blessed Imelda
(1322-1333)
Italian child with a profound love for Jesus in Holy Communion.

PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, come to me,
Lord Jesus, give me your love.
Lord Jesus, friend of children, stay with me.
Lord Jesus, Good Shepherd, you are my God.