



Registration for Children's Sacramental Preparation

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish

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1. OLPH Parish offers sacramental preparation using a **Family Faith Formation** format, to support and encourage parents in their role as the primary teachers and models of the faith. This includes families attending Mass together, classes and retreats for child and parent (or another loving adult), as well as scheduling dedicated study time together at home, prior to reception of the Sacraments. (Workbook and study materials are included with your registration.)
2. At OLPH, preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist is offered when a child is in grade 2 or older. "First Holy Communion" means that this will be the first time that a child is participating "fully" in the Mass by receiving the Eucharist. Just like we begin every Mass by praying the Penitential (Act of Contrition) to prepare our hearts to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, First Reconciliation must be completed prior to First Holy Communion.
3. **TO REGISTER:** Please complete both sides of this form and submit to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish by email (sacraments@olph.ca) or drop off in person at the parish office (open daily 7:30 am – 7:30 pm). Please include proof of your child's baptism and your \$30 registration fee. **Workbooks will be provided to take home from your first Parent Meeting after Opening Mass.** Registration fee may be paid by one of the following methods:
_____ **Office initial receipt by:** ☐ Paid \$30 Cheque # _____ ☐ Paid \$30 Cash ☐ Paid \$30 Debit/Credit Card OR
☐ Paid \$30 Interac OLPH.etransfer@caedm.ca (include your child's name and which sacraments in the message section)

Step 1: Contact Information and Parental Commitment (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY)

Child's Last Name _____ Child's Given Names _____
(as entered on Baptismal Certificate) **If child has had a legal name change please see Step 4 on back of form*

Date of Birth _____ (DD/MM/YYYY) Gender M / F

Father's Name _____ Father's Religion _____
(first and last name as it appears on child's Baptismal Certificate)

Mother's Name _____ Mother's Religion _____
(first and MAIDEN name as it appears on child's Baptismal Certificate)

Child lives with: ☐ Both Parents ☐ Father ☐ Mother ☐ Other situation _____

Address: _____
Street / RR City/Town Postal Code

Mother's Cell Phone: _____ and/or Father's Cell Phone: _____

Mother's E-mail: _____ and/or Father's E-mail: _____

Child's School _____ Grade _____

Is your family registered with OLPH Parish? ☐ Yes ☐ Not Yet/Unsure (Parish Registration Form must also be completed/updated)

☐ No, we are members of _____ located at _____
(Name of your regular parish) (Address/City)

As promised when my child was baptized, I will help my child prepare for their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion and participate fully with him/her in all classes, home study and the celebration of these Sacraments.

PRINT Name of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

SIGNATURE of Parent or Guardian _____ *Please Complete Steps on Reverse Side of Form.*

As you prepare your child to receive these sacraments for the first time, may this also be a special time for you; of deepening your own understanding of Holy Mass and the Sacraments, and of growing in faith for the whole family!

Step 2: PLEASE CHECK

- ☐ My child was baptized at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish on _____ (DD/MM/YYYY)
(date required)
- ☐ My child was baptized in another Parish. **A COPY OF BAPTISM CERTIFICATE MUST BE ATTACHED.**
***If not a Catholic Baptism please complete Step 4.**
- ☐ My child has not yet been baptized. **Please contact me about Baptism preparation prior to other sacraments.**

Step 3: CHOOSE YOUR SESSION

OLPH offers three sessions of preparation for these sacraments per academic year. *Full and active participation in catechesis is essential prior to reception of the sacraments. YOU MUST ATTEND ALL THE PREPARATION ACTIVITIES LISTED FOR EACH SACRAMENT, IN WHICHEVER SESSION YOU JOIN.* Additional instructions will be provided by email once you are registered.

*Families may opt to complete First Reconciliation in one session, then return for First Communion in a later session, so long as the sacraments are completed in that order.

☐ <u>Fall 2026 Session</u> (Recommended for older children and mature grade 2s who are confident readers) Opening Mass & Intro to Reconciliation Choice of Sunday September 13, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm <u>or</u> Tuesday Sept 15, 6:15 pm – 8:00 pm Reconciliation Retreat Day Saturday October 10, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm First Reconciliation Family Celebration (Confession) Saturday October 17 at 10:30 am Mass & Intro to First Communion Choice of Sunday October 18, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm <u>or</u> Monday October 19, 6:15 pm – 8:00 pm Family Eucharistic Adoration Sunday November 1, 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm First Communion Retreat Day Saturday November 21, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm First Communion Teaching Mass & Practice Choice of Monday November 23 or Thursday November 26 at 6:15 pm First Holy Communion Celebrations Saturday November 28 & Sunday Nov 29 (Group will be divided up and Mass Times assigned by school)	☐ <u>Winter 2027 Session*</u> (*Condensed Schedule) Opening Mass & Intro to Reconciliation Sunday January 10, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm Reconciliation Retreat Day Saturday January 30, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm First Reconciliation Family Celebration (Confession) Saturday February 6 at 10:30 am Mass & Intro to First Communion Sunday February 7, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm Family Eucharistic Adoration Choice of Sun Feb 7, 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm <u>or</u> Sunday March 7, 2:30 – 3:30 pm First Communion Retreat Day Saturday March 6, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm First Communion Teaching Mass & Practice Choice of Monday March 8 <u>or</u> Tuesday March 9 at 6:15 pm First Holy Communion Celebrations Saturday March 13 & Sunday March 14 (Group will be divided up and Mass Times assigned by school)	☐ <u>Spring 2027 Session</u> Opening Mass & Intro to Reconciliation Choice of Tuesday March 30, 6:15 pm – 8:00 pm <u>or</u> Sunday April 4, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm Reconciliation Retreat Day Saturday April 24 10:30 am – 12:30pm First Reconciliation Family Celebration (Confession) Saturday May 1 at 10:30am Mass & Intro to First Communion Choice of Sunday May 2, 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm <u>or</u> Wednesday May 5, 6:15 pm – 8:00 pm Family Eucharistic Adoration Choice of Sun May 2, 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm <u>or</u> Sunday June 6, 2:30 – 3:30 pm First Communion Retreat Day Saturday June 5, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm First Communion Teaching Mass & Practice Choice of Tuesday June 8 <u>or</u> Wednesday June 9 at 6:15 pm First Holy Communion Celebrations Saturday June 12 & Sunday June 13 (Group will be divided up and Mass Times assigned by school)
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(ONLY IF APPLICABLE)**Step 4: Check any that apply.**

- a) Has your child had a legal name change? Yes ☐ *A copy of the legal document must be attached to this form.*
- b) Was your child validly baptized in another Christian faith (e.g. Anglican, Lutheran)?
Yes ☐ *A copy of Baptismal Certificate must be attached to this form.*
- c) If answered Yes to the above, has your child been officially received into the Catholic Faith?
Yes ☐ *A copy of the Profession of Catholic Faith certificate must be attached to this form.*
No ☐ *A Profession of Catholic Faith must be made before your child can proceed with the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. We will assist you with this process.*