

Y3 Sacramental Preparation 2024-2025



The Baptism of Our Lord



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CELEBRATING
the
SACRAMENTS



The 7 Sacraments



Special celebrations that help us become better Christians and move us closer to Jesus

TASK: Use the symbols to help you work out the names of the 7 Sacraments.

The 7 Sacraments

3 SETS

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

- BAPTISM
- EUCHARIST
- CONFIRMATION

SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

- RECONCILIATION
- ANOINTING OF THE SICK

SACRAMENTS OF SERVICE

- HOLY ORDERS
- MARRIAGE

Sacraments of Initiation: **BAPTISM**

BAPTISM

**We become God's Children
– we are part of God's
family.**

We receive the **Holy Spirit**

SIGNS & SYMBOLS

**Holy Water, Easter Candle,
White Garment, Oil**



Sacraments of Initiation: **BAPTISM**

Parents

Do you remember when you brought your child for Baptism?

- As parents, you accepted the responsibility of training your child in the practice of the Catholic Faith.
- You promised to bring them up to keep God's commandments by loving God and our neighbour.
- The Godparents promised to help you in your duty as Christian parents.
- The parish community and the Church (through the priest) promised to support you in these duties.



Sacraments of Initiation: BAPTISM

Parent Reflection

At your child's Baptism, you and the Godparents you chose, promised to raise your child in the Catholic faith.

Have you:

- taught them to love God and our neighbours?**
- prayed with them?**
- brought them to Mass when you are able?**
- shared Bible stories with them?**

Parent Reflection



BAPTISED

into the family of God

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS

Sacrament before First Holy Communion

RECONCILIATION

CONFESSION

God forgives our sins through the Priest.

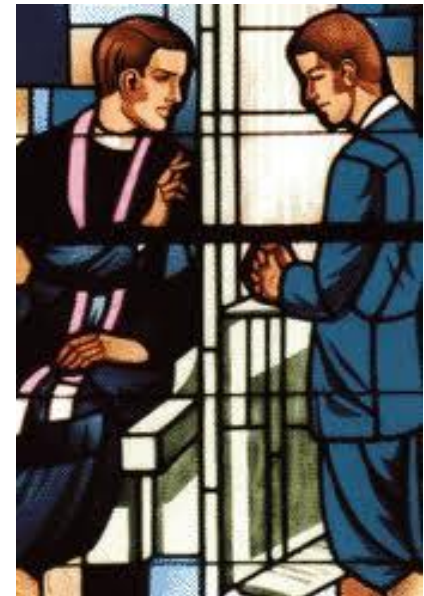
SIGNS & SYMBOLS

Confessing of sins

Express our sorrow

Act of Contrition

Absolution



Sacraments of Initiation: **THE EUCHARIST**

**We receive
the **Body of Christ** for
the first time during
First Holy Communion**

Parent/child discussion task:

What are the 2 main symbols of The Eucharist and what do they represent? Where does this belief come from?

**We receive
the **Blood of Christ****



What the school will do...

Teach the Year 3 Sacramental Curriculum

- **Reconciliation**
- **We Listen to God's Word at Mass**
- **The Eucharist is a Thanksgiving to God**

**Support you and your child
at this important time**

Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Next steps

- As parents, **decide** if you wish your child to make these Sacraments.
- **Are you committed** to supporting your child in their journey of faith?
- **Is your child committed** to receiving the Sacraments?
- **Do you need to do more** to ensure that you are teaching your child about our faith?
- **Is this time to think about your own faith** and what it means to you?

Task

Parents discuss with your children if you are both prepared for the **commitment** of receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

First Holy Communion is the **first** of many more times when you will receive Communion.

Will you continue to bring your children to Mass so that they are able so they can experience the Eucharist again?

Children's Footprint Task

What you are going to do **between now** and **receiving the Sacraments** to **become closer to God?**



I will become closer
to God by...

Saying more
prayers with my
family

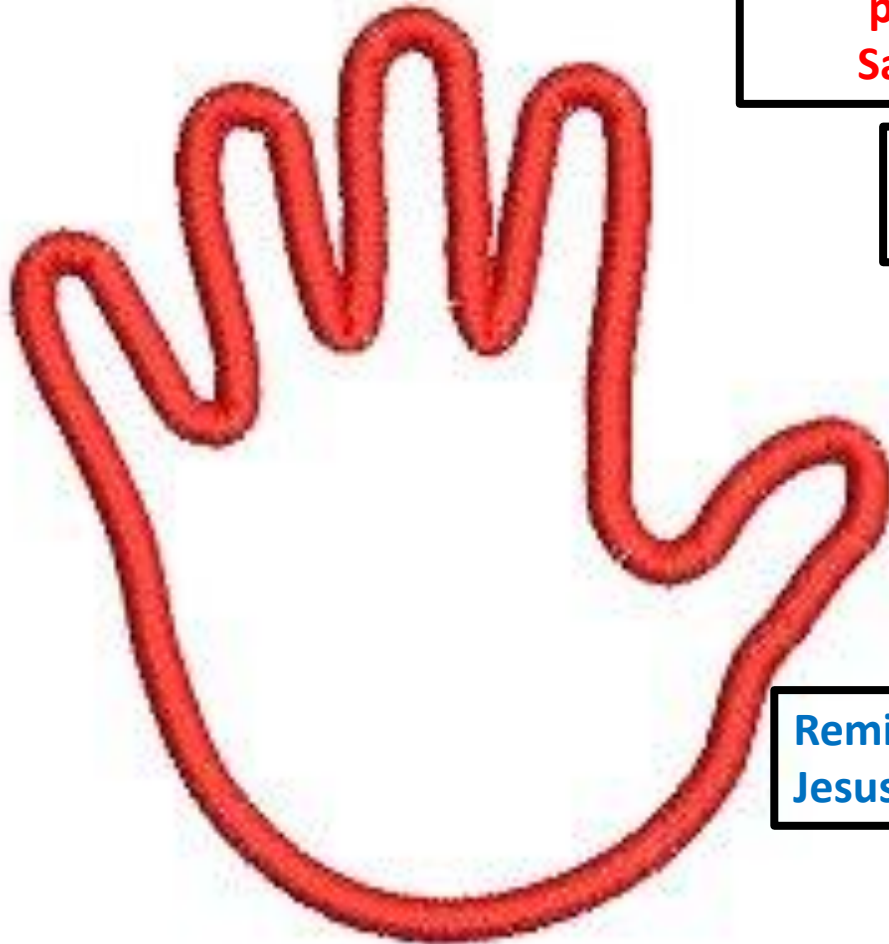
Reading Bible
stories with my
parents

Going to Mass
more (in person
or virtually)

Show kindness to
others just as
Jesus wants us to

Parents' Handprint Task

Parents discuss with your child **how you are going to support them** on their journey of faith.



We/I promise to help you
prepare for the
Sacraments by...

Saying prayers with you
before bedtime

Spending time with you
to read the Bible together

Attending Mass in
person together

Reminding you of the teachings of
Jesus

What Next?

- Let us know **before** the first Sacramental Mass on Sunday 24th November **if you and your child no longer wish** to part of the Sacramental Programme.
- **Attend all** the **Meetings** and **Masses** between now and the receiving Sacraments.

Any Questions?

Enrolment Mass

Sunday 24th November

9:15 am for 9:30 start

- Children to wear school uniform and sit with their parent(s) throughout Mass.
- Children will take part throughout the Mass.
- Enrolment Service (Father Adrian).
- Children should receive a **blessing** at Communion.

Enrolment Promises

Father,

Dear Parents, your child has already received the Sacrament of Baptism. Is it your wish that your child should now be

prepared to meet with Jesus in the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist?

Parents: It is

Father,

Dear children, Jesus gives himself to you in Communion. Will you prepare yourself so that in May, you will be ready to receive him and to give of yourself to Jesus and to others?

Children: I will

Father,

A child's preparation cannot take place without the support and involvement of the family. Will you take a full part in the preparation of your child for the Sacrament of the Eucharist?

Parents: We will

Father,

In this community, the preparation of our children is shared between the family, the school and the Parish. Will you help teach, guide and pray for these children as they prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion?

All: We will

Father,

Children and Parents, the Parish of St. George and St. Martin's welcomes you in the Sacramental Programme for Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

Bidding Prayers

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**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in peace. Amen**

