

A note to parents....

WELCOME to this time of preparation for your child's first celebrations of Reconciliation and Communion! This special time offers both you and your child unique and wonderful opportunities to grow in faith together and to deepen your relationship with God and with one another.

We invite you to make the most of these opportunities by:

Setting aside some time to reflect on your faith and to share stories of faith experiences with your child.

Reflecting on some aspect of the Sacraments - forgiveness, gratitude, belonging - and the ways in which these are experienced in your life and the life of your family.

Exploring the teaching of the Church as you look more closely at your own understanding of the Sacraments, particularly Reconciliation and Communion.

Looking to Scripture to help you make connections between your faith, your life, and the life of your family.

God has initiated a dialogue with you. He has sent you an invitation. How will you respond?

May this time of preparation be a **special** time --- a **sacred** time ---for your child and for you.