## January 10, 2023 - Sacramental Preparation updates for

## **First Communion and Confirmation candidates**

Happy new year to you and your families!

As we start our new year, we look forward to upcoming dates related to your child's sacraments. Please read below according to the sacrament your child is preparing to receive. Class Schedules for both First Reconciliation/Communion and Confirmation are on the parish website: <u>https://stmaryslindsay.ca/sacraments/#sacramental-prep</u>

## **First Communion Candidates**

Father Dominic and Father Martin will hear first reconciliations (confessions) on January 22<sup>nd</sup> during sacramental preparation classes.

If you have not submitted a copy of your child's baptism certificate to the office, please do so as soon as possible.

Please mark the following dates in your calendar:

- January 15<sup>th:</sup> Sacramental preparation classes resume per schedule previously provided to families, please see parish website. First Eucharist textbooks will be provided.
- January 22<sup>nd</sup>: Father Dominic and Father Martin will hear first confessions in the Church during the scheduled sacrament session, children to bring their First Eucharist textbook.
- **February 18<sup>th</sup>:** All day retreat at St. Mary's Church and Elementary school, details to be provided.
- April 22<sup>nd</sup>: from 6:30pm to 7:15pm, Rehearsal for First Holy Communion mass at St. Mary's Church
- April 23<sup>rd</sup>: Please arrive no later than 10:45am at the Church. First Communion mass starts at 11am. Children to dress in formal attire. Please contact the rectory if you need formal attire. We do have a few dresses available to borrow.

## **Confirmation Candidates**

Please continue to work through your Saint's Project, and Mass Journals. For the Saint's project please choose a Saint and start learning about them (videos, books, movie, you tube).

If you have not submitted your child's baptism certificate and/or completed sponsor form, please do so as soon as possible.

Please mark the following dates in your calendar:

January 10<sup>th</sup>: Confirmation Preparation classes resume please see updated schedule on the parish website.

February 21<sup>st</sup>: Mass Journals and Saint's Project to be handed in before session starts.

**To be confirmed**: All day retreat at St. Mary's Church and Elementary school.

- May 7<sup>th</sup>: After 11am Mass, Rehearsal for Confirmation mass at St. Mary's Church and sizing of red robes. Parents please attend so that you can support your child in providing the information to your child's sponsor.
- May 14th:Please arrive at the Church no later than 10:30 am. Confirmation Mass celebrated with Bishop Miehm<br/>starts at 11am. Children to dress in formal attire and will be sized for red robe during rehearsal. All<br/>robes to be returned to the Church immediately after Confirmation mass.

Any questions please contact the parish office: 705-324-4828 or office@stmaryslindsay.ca, Thank you.