

First Communion Enrollment Ceremony

Gospel & Homily-----

Coordinator:

Present at our worship today are the young people of our parish community who are in the process of preparing for their celebration of First Eucharist in the spring. They are here to proclaim publicly their willingness and desire to spend this year developing a closer friendship with Jesus and learning about how to worship and celebrate Eucharist with us.

Will the children that are here to be enrolled in our First Eucharist program please stand.

Presider:

Children, I understand that you are eager to learn more about Jesus, our Catholic faith, and what it means to celebrate Eucharist and receive Jesus in Communion.

All of you have signed a special paper to tell us of your promise to prepare for the celebration of your First Eucharist. I have a few questions to ask you now...

Will you try to learn more about the Mass and how it is an essential prayer of this faith community?

Children: I WILL

Presider:

Will you try to participate as fully as possible by singing and praying along each week when we come to celebrate the Eucharist?

Children: I WILL

Presider:

Will you try to pray each day for the children & their families who are preparing for First Eucharist?

Children: I WILL

Presider:

Will you try to "go in peace to love and serve the Lord" each day of the week by loving and serving others, especially the poor and the lonely?

Children: I WILL

Coordinator: I invite the parents of these children to please stand.

Presider:

Parents, you brought your children to us at Baptism and promised to do your best to nurture them in the life of Christ. Are you ready to support these candidates in their journey by your continued encouragement in bringing them to Church each weekend to celebrate the Eucharist with this community and help your children learn about the meaning of Eucharist through your actions and decisions?

Parents: WE ARE

Presider:

I call upon the Church gathered here to express their acceptances and support of these candidates and their parents.

Assembly: Applause

Presider: (invite children to return to their parents)

Cantor/Accompanist: Sings or plays music as children return to their parents