

2019 First Communion Retreat

Saturday, 4/6/19, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

TIMELINE

9:15 a.m. Check-in
9:30 a.m. Welcome, Prayer & Retreat in Review

BREAK OUT

Kids

9:35 a.m. Station 1: Unleavened Bread-making (ALL TOGETHER)
10:15 a.m. Station Rotation 2
10:50 a.m. Station Rotation 3

Adults Using Presence Videos & Workbook

9:35 a.m. Intro & Video 1 (35 mins)
10:15 a.m. Video 1 Discussion (10 mins)
10:25 a.m. Intro & Video 2 (40 mins)
11:10 a.m. Video 2 Discussion (10 mins)

GATHER BACK TOGETHER

11:20 a.m. Family Craft & Lunch – Banners to decorate church for 1st Communion

12:15 p.m. BREAK OUT

Kids

12:20 a.m. Station Rotation 4
12:50 a.m. Station Rotation 5

Adults

12:15 p.m. Intro & Video 3 (35 mins)
12:55 p.m. Video 3 Discussion (10 mins)
1:05 p.m. First Communion Prep Info/Q&A

GATHER BACK TOGETHER

1:20 p.m. Closing, Survey & Prayer

1:30 p.m. Departure

PROGRAMMING

Children activity centers to be planned and staffed by the Sacramental Prep Team and volunteers.

- **Station 1: Unleavened Bread** with Mrs. Elkins: students will make their own unleavened bread to share with their family at lunch. (Cafeteria/Kitchen)
- **Station 2: The Last Supper** with Mr. Pfeffer: students will have a hands-on experience with the Last Supper, recognizing that this is when Jesus instituted the Eucharist (Cafeteria)
- **Station 3: Closer to Jesus** with Mrs. Oberhauser: A quiz/game to test the kids' knowledge of the Eucharist. (1st Floor School Hallway)

- **Station 4: Sacristy Tour** with Miss Roddy: students will go “behind the scenes” to explore all the tools of Mass (Sacristy)
- **Station 5: Practice** with Mrs. Born (Church)

Adult activity center is planned and staffed by Angel with volunteer support as table leaders.

- Leverages the program Presence by Augustine Institute

Family Craft will be the First Communion Banner. Kits will be provided (one per family). Banners will be used to decorate the pews at the First Communion Mass. Families can use these conversation starters:

- Kids ask parents:
 - Do you remember your 1st Communion? What was it like?
 - Have you ever NOT received the Eucharist at Mass?
 - If yes, how did that make you feel?
 - If no, do you know when/why someone would choose NOT to receive?
- Parents ask kids:
 - What do you think it will be like on the day of your First Communion? How will do you think you’ll feel about going to Mass afterward?
 - After your First Communion, when you’re kneeling and have quiet time, what do you think you’ll say to Jesus?

SNACKS/MEAL

Coffee is prepped in advance by Deb Shelly; Angel to turn on upon arrival.

Lunch and Centerpieces are to be coordinated by Deb Shelly and Women of St. Francis; additional recruited volunteers by Angel.

Menu is sandwich platters with chips, cookies and gallon-sized beverages. Catered by Firehouse Subs.

Snacks are TBD.

ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS

Arrive at 9 a.m. for set up and stay until cleanup is complete.

Rotation Leaders

Miss Johnson
Ms. Grandjean
Ms. Hupp
Mrs. Kozlowski

Station 1: Unleavened Bread Making

Leader: Mrs. Elkins
Assistants: Mr. Hewett
Location: School Cafeteria

Station 2: The Last Supper

Leader: Mr. Pfeffer
Assistant: Miss Elizabeth (Wright)
Location: School Cafeteria

Station 3: Closer to Jesus

Leader: Mr. Kozlowski
Assistant: Ms. Eskins
Location: 1st Floor School Hallway

Station 4: Sacristy Tour

Leader: Miss Roddy
Location: Baptismal Font (Church)

Station 5: Practice/Communion Etiquette

Leaders: Mrs. Born and Mr. Marron
Location: Foot of the Altar (Church)

Lunch Service

Mrs. Shelly
Mrs. Devoll

Photography

Miss Catherine (Wright)

Timekeeper

Ms. Braunbeck

Table Leader

Eric Schneider
Luke Baus (tentative)
Maggie Wright
Caroline Lavery (tentative)
Andrea Gebhart (tentative)

Group 2

Ms. Grandjean

Chase Baus
Aubrey Baus
Callie Hogue
Macy Hogue
Grace Springs
Lillian Bucknam
Bryson Gassman
Gabe Schneider
Cole Lavery
Hudson Lavery
Nora Winters

Group 3

Ms. Taylor

Oliver Cody
Stephanie Hernandez
Emerie Mathers-Brown
Kyle Reifsnyder
Conner Wygle
Kelsie Clouse
Kylie Clouse
Hannah Kofod
Reagan Marmie
Briley Pegan

Group 4

Ms. Hupp

Dane Faller
Dylan Faller
Devan Faller
James Roberts
Hailey Brown
Will Englefield
Kennedy Gebhart
Valentina McAnally
Elliott Walther
Agnes Wright

Group 5

Mrs. Kozlowski

Reese Farris
Gavin Farris
Malouri Perucho
Madalyn Blodgett
Payton Blodgett
Graeme Gillespie
Heath Gillespie
Lila Moore
Eli Windon
Sam Windon
Gracelynn Hupp