

## FIRST COMMUNION “CHEAT SHEET” 2022

The big day is upon us! Here are a few reminders to help the day go as smoothly as possible:

- First, and most importantly, please **come early** to your child’s First Communion Mass.
  - If you are scheduled for a 10:00 AM Mass. Please **come at 09:30 AM.**
  - If you are scheduled for a 12:00 PM Mass, please **come at 11:30 AM.**
  - If you are scheduled for a 2:00 PM Mass, please **come at 1:30 PM.**
  - Please have planned ahead of time who will be sitting in the family pew.
  - Your family pew will have your child’s banner hanging on the pew. Pew fits 8 people.
- Gathering and procession:
  - The children will be processing (weather permitting) and will sit with their parents in the assigned pew.
- Receiving the Sacrament
  - The children will be receiving first. We ask that parents and guests remain in their seats at this time.
  - After all the children have received, the ushers will invite parents and guests to come receive the sacrament.
- Exit Procession
  - After the closing rites of the Mass, the priest will process out, and then the children will process out with their families.
  - While processing out, please take all banners, the communion certificate and all your belongings with you.

### Other Consideration

- There is absolutely no picture taking during the Mass. There will be plenty of opportunities to take pictures after Mass. We will have a professional photographer taking a picture as each child receives their First Communion and a professional videographer who has been trained to discreetly film liturgical celebrations. The video and picture were included in the Communion fee you have paid.