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Sacramental Questions

When is mass at St. Mary's Parish? Saturday at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12 noon and 4:00 p.m.

How do I have a child baptized? If the child is six or under, when you come to mass on Saturday evening or Sunday request a baptism package from a parish team member, complete and return it to mass on a later weekend. Mickie Oakes will follow up with you to prepare for baptism.

My child is older and requires baptism. What do I do? Contact the parish by phone. Preparation will take place in eight short meetings on Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. mass. These children will be baptized together.

Our children were baptized in a non-Catholic church, but we have decided to raise them Catholic. You will be asked to make a profession of faith on your children's behalf. This will allow us to record their conversion to the Catholic faith in the baptism register

Our child is in grade two. How do we proceed to first reconciliation and first communion? Information will be sent to you at the beginning of January. It will describe in how to prepare your children for these special moments in your family's life.

My son, in grade six, has not made his first communion. What can be done? When you are at mass, ask a parish team member for a First Communion enrolment form. We organize first communion masses for older children.

Our grade eight child should be confirmed this year. That is correct. In early January, a letter from the parish will be sent home with your grade eight student inviting them to enter the process for confirmation. Confirmation will be celebrated will be celebrated in November 2011 and May 2012.

My daughter in high school was never confirmed. For youth in grade ten and above, we ask they enroll by picking up a confirmation enrolment form at mass on Saturday or Sunday the same as a student in grade eight would, however, we have prepared material that they work on at home to get ready for confirmation. For those in grade nine it is exactly the same process as if they were in grade eight.

As a parent, I have always raised my children in the Catholic Church, but have never become a Catholic myself. As an adult how would I become a Catholic? R.C.I.A. allows you to prepare for baptism or profession of faith if already baptized. Those wishing to know more should call the parish.

My wife and I were married outside the church. We hope in good time that are children are married in the church so we know that we should see if we could have our marriage blessed. How do we go about that? This is so often much easier than we have been lead to believe, but the process of blessing a marriage is individual to each couple so please call the parish office to discuss.