First Reconciliation Preparation Meeting October 13, 2021

I. Welcome: Please pick-up your child's nametag and paperwork

II. Prayer and Introduction

III. Looking at the Sacrament Using the Children's Bible with Parent & Child Family Time at Home

IV. Learning an Act of Contrition

V. The Rite of Confession

V. Blessing of Children



The completed Reconciliation Handouts are due <u>November 17</u> to the Religious Education Office. Pins will be available with the certificates on the day of Reconciliation.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated Saturdays, Jan. 15 (9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.) and Jan. 22 (9 a.m.-11:30 a.m.) by family appointment. Appointments are made online at: http://stfrancisa2.com/ Click on Religious Education

For your long term planning: First Communion parent and child meetings are scheduled for: Wed, Jan. 19 at 6:30pm and Wed, March 23 at 6:30pm The Eucharist Registration form with baptismal certificate is due by the Jan. 19 meeting.

The celebration of First Holy Communion will take place in May either over weekend Masses or through a series of daily and weekend Masses. Sign up for Masses will take place at the January 19th meeting.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. All: Amen. *After the greeting*, All: And also with you.

READING OF THE WORD OF GOD

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Galatians 3:26-28 *After the reading,* The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER OF BLESSING

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After the prayer, parents please trace the sign of the cross on your child's forehead, saying: "(Name of Child), Blessed be God who chose you in Christ."

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After the prayer, parents please trace the sign of the cross on the hands of your children, saying:

"(Name of Child), Blessed be God who chose you in Christ."

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth? All: I do.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father? All: I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? All: I do.

This is our Faith. This is the Faith of the Church. We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus, our Lord. All: Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER