

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
Plan for “pandemic” First Eucharist Preparation
2020-2021

1. **Zoom meetings:** November – April – ten zoom meetings - ½ hour in length for parents and children on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and repeated on Sundays at 2:00 p.m. If you are unable to participate in either meeting, a recording will be sent to you. Please send feedback with your response to the sessions you were not able to attend in person.
2. **Enrollment Mass** is November 8th at noon
3. **Family activities:** Each session will call for follow-up as a family with activities such as reading a story from the Bible or doing something special at home, etc.
4. **Participate in Mass:** Families will be asked to either attend Mass weekly or as a family, listen to a live streamed Mass. You will receive response cards so that children can participate whether in Church or at home.
5. **Retreat:** If on-site gatherings are safe, there will be a retreat before First Communion for children and parents, tentatively scheduled for Saturday morning, April 17th. If not, something virtual will be provided.
6. **Teaching Mass:** If and when on-site gatherings are safe, we will offer a teaching Mass for children and their parents. Otherwise, it will be done virtually.

Zooms meetings: Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. or Sunday at 2 p.m. for children and parents.

Session 1	October 28 or November 1 st
Session 2	November 11 th or 15
Session 3	December 2 nd or 6 th
Session 4	(pre-recorded to be viewed during the week of Dec. 16 th)
Session 5	January 6 th or 10 th
Session 6	January 20 th or 24 th (this session may be replaced with teaching Mass)
Session 7	February 3 rd or 7 th
Session 8	February 24 th or 28 th
Session 9	March 10 th or 14 th
Session 10	March 24 th or 28 th
Session 11	On site retreat on April 17 th from 9 a.m. - noon or April 14 th or 18 th (retreat activities)

Celebration of First Eucharist: Saturday and Sunday, May 1st and 2nd

(Additional Masses may be added if social distancing requirements make that necessary)