

Candidate Commitment: Confession and First Holy Communion

*Jesus said, "Let the children come to me ...
for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."
And he laid his hands on them. — Matthew 19:14*

As a baptized Catholic, I am preparing for reception of the sacraments of First Confession and First Eucharist by which I will be able to fully participate in Holy Mass. By receiving these holy sacraments, I will be able to experience God's love for me and be in a more perfect relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church.

As a candidate for the sacraments of Confession and Eucharist, I promise the following:

- ✓ To learn as much as I can about who God is, his love for me, and how I can grow in my relationship with Jesus and participate more fully in Holy Mass
- ✓ I will attend and will fully participate in all sacramental preparation and religious education sessions and activities
- ✓ I will be respectful of the leaders and facilitators of the program and show appreciation for their time and effort
- ✓ I will show respect to those in my class who are on the journey with me
- ✓ I will attend Mass every Sunday and on all holy days of obligation
- ✓ I will receive the sacrament of Confession before receiving Eucharist
- ✓ I will accept more responsibility in my family and parish by helping others
- ✓ I will commit to daily prayer, praying especially for growth in faith, hope, and love

As I make these promises, I ask God to give me the grace to be open to his plans for my life—plans he reveals to me in prayer, in my talents, and in the encouragement of those who know and love me.

I place myself in the loving embrace of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in asking for help in fulfilling this commitment.

Name of Candidate (Print)

Signature of Candidate

Date

Witnessed
by: _____

Signature(s) of Candidate's Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s)