

Dear parents and caregivers,

In our Roman Catholic faith, children in grade two are eligible to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation (Confession) and Holy Eucharist (Communion) for the first time.

With great joy St Anne Parish invites your family to join this year's preparation for these Sacraments. As parents and caregivers, you know that you are your child's first and most important teachers of faith. Our goal is to walk with you, providing tools and information to help you prepare as a family.

To begin this process, families are asked to attend our **INFORMATION SESSION on Sunday, October 4, 2026,** following the 9:30 am Mass, in St Anne Parish Hall.

This meeting is mandatory for the child **AND** the parent/caregiver.

All catechetical meetings will be held in two moments:

1. Participation in Sunday Mass, 9:30 am,
2. A catechetical session in the Hall, following Mass.

All the dates are printed on the reverse of this sheet.

If your child has not been baptized or was baptized into another Christian denomination and would like to become Catholic, please contact the office, so arrangements can be made for your child to participate with their peers in both of these Sacraments.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call our parish office, email us, or speak to us after Mass.

Yours in faith,

Father Gian Luca Roso, mccj
Pastor

Welcome to
St. Anne Parish

Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

School Year: 2026-2027

We hope you will find prayerful and spiritual support during your time with us. If you plan to attend regularly, we encourage you to register with our parish.

Registration forms are available at the church entrances and will help simplify processes for pastoral references and sacramental preparations.

If you are just visiting, thank you for joining us. We look forward to seeing you again!

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The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

- All candidates must have previously received the Sacrament of Baptism. If your child was not baptized at St Anne Parish, you will be required to provide a copy of their baptism certificate. If your child has not been baptized, a special formation will be held on January 6 at 7:00 pm, at St Anne Parish, and baptisms will be celebrated on Sunday, January 10, 2027, following the 9:30 am Holy Mass.
- The responsibility for the preparation for First Holy Communion rests with the church and the parents; immediate sacramental liturgical preparation is provided by St Anne Parish.
- Our catechetical sessions are offered at St Anne Parish on Sunday, following the celebration of the Sunday Holy Mass. Mass begins at 9:30 am. For a better Christian formation, we strongly encourage participation not only in the sessions, but also in Holy Mass.

Important Dates, please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Sunday, October 4, 2026	9:30 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Initial Session	**INFORMATION SESSION for BOTH** child and parent/caregiver(s)
Sunday, November 8, 2026	9:30 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Catechetical	Catechetical session for BOTH child and parent/caregiver(s)
Sunday, November 29, 2026	9:30 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Confessions	**Celebration of First Reconciliation**
Sunday, March 7, 2027	9:30 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Catechetical	Catechetical session for BOTH child and parent/caregiver(s)
Sunday, April 11, 2027	9:30 am Sunday Mass 10:30am Catechetical	Catechetical session for BOTH child and parent/caregiver(s)
Sunday, May 2, 2027	9:30 am Sunday Mass 10:30 am Catechetical	Catechetical session for BOTH child and parent/caregiver(s)
Tuesday, May 25, 2027	**Retreat** held during the school day in parish hall	
Friday, May 28, 2027	7:00 pm **Rehearsal** in church (30 minutes)	
Sunday, May 30, 2027	**11:00 am Celebration of First Holy Communion**	

First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

St Anne Parish Registration Form 2026-2027

Date:

Child's Full Name	
Father's First and Last Name	
Mother's First and Maiden Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email address (for correspondence)	
School child attends	
Child's birth date	Child's Place of Birth
Date of Baptism	
Church of Baptism	

A copy of the baptism certificate MUST accompany this registration form if your child was NOT baptized at St Anne Parish

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- My child is age 7 or older and is a practicing member of St Anne Parish
- My child is age 7 or older and is a practicing member of another Roman Catholic Church, please include name of parish: _____
- My child is age 7 or older and has been baptized into another Christian faith but would like to become Catholic
- My child has not been baptized, and we would like register for special formation on Wednesday, January 6, 2027

I understand that there are five catechetical sessions at St Anne Parish, following the 9:30 am Sunday Holy Mass.

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Signature of Parent/Caregiver Signature of Candidate

Please return this form to the church. Forms may be returned at the Information Session, in the collection basket, the parish mailbox (located at the rectory entrance at the back parking lot), or via email: stannekitchener@hamiltondiocese.com.