



St. Mary of the Visitation Parish

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

On behalf of the Parish Community of St. Mary of the Visitation, it is my pleasure to invite you to prepare your child to celebrate the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion.

First Confession will be celebrated on:

Thursday, February 22 and Thursday, February 29, 2024

(date and time to be selected in December)

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on:

Saturday, April 20, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. - St. Elizabeth School

Saturday, April 27, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. – Our Lady of Fatima School

Saturday April 27, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. - St. Gabriel School

In preparation for these sacraments, the children will follow the curriculum they receive in their classroom. I will also visit the children in their classrooms. As parents and caregivers, you also have a very important responsibility in preparing your children for the reception of these sacraments.

There will be a parent information meeting on **Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m.** in the church. We ask that you complete the online registration for your son/daughter *prior* to this meeting: www.stmaryhespeler.ca/grade-2-registration *(starting October 2, 2023)*

You will be required to provide a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if they were not baptized at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish. You may submit this copy electronically or bring a copy to the parent meeting. If your child is not baptized or was baptized in another Christian denomination, please contact the parish office as soon as possible. Additional information and updates will be communicated to the schools and sent to the email provided in the registration.

Yours in Christ,

Father Ed Henhoeffter

Pastor