

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Faith Community

Preparation Policy for Sacraments of Initiation

Elementary and Junior High (Grades 2 through 8)

CHILDREN REQUIRING THE SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION AND/OR CONFIRMATION AND EUCHARIST

A two-year preparation process is required, by the Diocese of Phoenix, for children, already baptized (as Catholic or in another Christian tradition), who have reached the age of discretion (seven years of age or above), and who desire to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation and/or the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist. In regard to sacramental preparation, a candidate must meet the following requirements:

- Be baptized and not previously confirmed.
- Must be Catholic (children baptized in another church must make a Profession of Faith).
- Must be properly instructed.
- Must be capable of renewing their Baptismal promises.
- Must have previously been prepared for and received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Year One: The child must be enrolled in at least one year of age-appropriate, formal religious education classes and should attend Mass weekly with their parents. Contact the Coordinator of Early Child and Elementary Catechesis, Paulette Colin, to register children in second through fifth grades. For children in sixth through eighth grades, contact the Coordinator of Youth Ministries, Barb Lishko.

Year Two:

- The child should be enrolled in another year of age-appropriate, formal religious education classes and should attend Mass weekly with their parents.
- The child and his/her parents must also be registered for and attend First Reconciliation family catechetical sessions held during the fall months (generally before Thanksgiving).
- In addition, the child and his/her parents must also be registered for and attend Confirmation/Eucharist family catechetical sessions held from January through Lent.
- Upon completion of year one and two requirements, the child should receive Confirmation and First Eucharist at one of the parish celebrations held after Easter (generally before the end of May).

ALL INFORMATION MUST BE SUBMITTED AND COMPLETE
2008-2009

Today's Date: _____ Grade _____

**CONFIRMATION/1st EUCHARIST
INFORMATION FORM**

Please PRINT All Information Clearly

Candidate's Full Name: _____

FIRST MIDDLE LAST
(This is as it will appear on the certificate)

Address: _____

(Include City, Zip Code)

Phone:
(HOME) _____ (CELL) _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Date of Baptism: _____ Church of Baptism: _____

(Include full address and zip code) (A COPY OF THE BAPTISMAL IS REQUIRED)

Mother's Full Name: _____

Mother's Maiden Name: _____

Father's Full Name: _____

Candidate's Date of 1st Reconciliation: _____

CONFIRMATION NAME: _____

SPONSOR'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Siblings: Names/Grade: _____

For Office use only Baptismal _____ Sponsor _____

Date of Confirmation/1st Eucharist: _____ Presider:

Today's Date _____

Candidate's Grade: _____

SPONSOR FORM

Candidate's Name:

Sponsor's Full Name:

Sponsor's Address:

Sponsor's Phone:

Cell: _____ Home: _____

Sponsor's email: _____

As a Sponsor, I have been Baptized and Confirmed: _____

I am registered at St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Parish:

Yes: _____ No: _____

If the previous answer is no:

I am currently registered at _____ Parish
Address: _____

***I am the candidate's Godparent: yes: _____ no: _____

**(IF NOT THE GODPARENT, A LETTER OF ELIGIBILITY FROM THEIR
PARISH MUST BE SUBMITTED)**

***I will request from my parish and submit to the Elementary RE office a certificate of
eligibility to be a Confirmation sponsor: yes _____

I attend Mass weekly and am willing to pray with and for my candidate. I model the
values and practices of being a Catholic Christian. I will attend Mass with my candidate.

Sponsor's signature: _____

This form is to be filled out by the sponsor and returned to the Elementary RE office no
later than **November 3, 2008**.

St. Andrew the Apostle, 3450 W Ray Rd, Chandler, AZ 85226

Please, print all information other than the signature line.