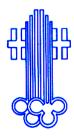
ST. PETER'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



100 Bainbridge Ave, Woodbridge, Ontario L4L 3Y1 Telephone: (905) 851-3600

June 2, 2025

Dear parents and guardians:

Re: 2025-2026 Grade 2 Students – First Holy Communion Registration

As the end of another school year draws near, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a happy and safe summer vacation. Your child will be entering grade 2, and as you may know, this grade has been designated the time in which your child is ELIGIBLE to receive the SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (in the Spring of 2026).

In order to better serve your family's needs, I am providing you, at this time, the registration form needed to formally request First Communion for your child. In this manner, it is my wish to encourage and allow parents to register throughout the upcoming summer months as registration **WILL NOT TAKE PLACE** once the new school year commences.

STEP ONE: Registration Process

- Complete the attached registration <u>in full</u>. Any incomplete registrations will **NOT** be accepted and will be returned to you for completion. Attach <u>ALL ITEMS</u> (listed on reverse side of registration form) to your completed form. Required items not provided when submitting the registration form will be considered incomplete and returned to you for completion.
- Bring COMPLETED registration form to the parish office during the months of July and August.
 <u>Deadline for First Communion registration: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025</u>.
- The parish office is opened Monday to Friday (9am to 7pm). The office is closed on Saturday and Sunday. **Do not send registration forms to school.**

STEP TWO: Information Night – IMPORTANT TO ATTEND

- Information nights will take place on Monday, September 15th, <u>OR</u> Wednesday, September 17th, 2025 at 7:00pm in the parish hall. Registrations will NOT be accepted on these evenings.
- Parents are asked to choose only one night to attend. The church office does not need to be notified which night
 you plan to attend.
- Parents will be formally advised of the dates for First Holy Communion and other important dates and information needed in preparation for this Sacrament.

Once again, I urge all parents of students entering grade 2 in September 2025, to take advantage over the next 2 months to register your child to receive First Communion, as the deadline for registration is Monday, September 8, 2025.

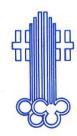
Should you have any questions or require further information, do not hesitate to contact the parish office during the office hours of 9:00am to 7:00pm from Monday to Friday. The parish office is closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

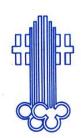
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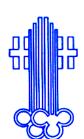


First Communion Registration 2025-2026

Rev. Charles M. Grech, Rev. Joshua Critchley

SCHOOL	NAME: _				
Only registered a	and ``practicing``	members of St. Pe	eter's are eligible	Envelope # e to receive the sacraments. permission from your home Church.	
First Name:	(DI	Middle:	1 D C 1	Last: Certificate)	
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Church of Baptism: **				** If your child <u>WAS</u> baptized at St. Peter's Church, a photocopy of the certificate will no be needed. Please indicate your child was baptized at St. Peter's next to "Church of	
Address: Date of Baptism:		Day / Year		Baptism". ** If your child <u>WAS NOT</u> baptized at St. Peter's Church, attach a photocopy of the Baptism Certificate to this form.	
Father's Name:					
Mother's Name: First Name			Maiden Name		
Address:	Street	City	v	Postal Code	
Telephone #:	Cell #:				
Email Address: PLEASE F	PRINT CLEARLY				
Religion: Mother:	Father:				
Marital Status: (Please circle)	Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	
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	Payment of \$5	50 Received: Cash	Cheque	e #	

Return completed registration form directly to parish office NO LATER than Monday, September 8, 2025.



DO NOT SEND THE COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM TO SCHOOL.

Return completed registration form <u>to St. Peter's Church</u> <u>parish office</u> (opened Monday to Friday 9am-7pm).

The parish office is closed Saturday and Sunday.

Registration Deadline: Monday, September 8, 2025.

Registrations received after this date will not be accepted.

Incomplete registrations will not be accepted.

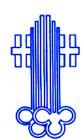
All items noted below, must be attached to completed registration form or will not be accepted!

CHECK LIST

- Completed Registration Form together with your signed Parents / Guardians Acknowledgement
- Copy of Child's Baptismal Certificate
- Payment of \$50.00 (Processing fees)

Payment may be made in cash or cheque (please make your cheque payable to St. Peter's parish).

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> If your child <u>was baptized here at St. Peter's Parish</u>, you DO NOT need to attach a copy of the baptismal certificate. Simply indicate that your child was Baptized at St. Peter's church on the registration form.



St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church First Communion Registrations 2025-2026

Parents / Guardians Acknowledgement

Because a sacrament is a special encounter with God, meant to strengthen our life of discipleship, the Church needs to prepare the person celebrating the sacrament to be properly disposed to experience it. In the case of First Holy Communion, we need to make sure that the child's parents / guardians fully understand the significance of the sacrament and their duties to help the child grow into a serious Christian who actively practices the faith of the Church. As pastor, I must ensure the following steps in preparation be taken before we can celebrate your child's First Holy Communion:

- **Baptism:** If your child hasn't already been baptized, ensure to speak to the parish office staff to arrange a Baptismal date for your child. All individuals must be baptized before receiving their First Communion.
- <u>Religious Education</u>: Children attending one of the local Catholic elementary schools, religious education classes will be provided in school. Children attending public / private and out of boundary schools, religious education will take place at St. Peter's church on Saturday mornings. In addition, your child(ren) will also be preparing for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation (first Confession) which will take place at school (or in class for public / private and out of boundary school students) and is mandatory. We ask parents to ensure that any appointments not be scheduled on any of these important dates (dates will be given on Information Night).
- Regular Mass Attendance: Take your child to Mass regularly so they become familiar with the setting and the liturgy. To compliment this necessity, your child will be given a booklet (distributed on Information Night) that will be stamped each weekend following Mass to confirm their attendance.
- Fostering Faith: Engage in conversations about faith and God, and encourage prayer as part of your family life. Help your child to learn and memorize the basic prayers (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be and Act of Contrition). The Act of Contrition will be needed in preparation for their First Reconciliation.
- <u>Preparing the Child:</u> Help your child understand the significance of the Eucharist and the importance of receiving it with reverence on Sundays. As parents, you are their first teacher and your child(ren) will look to you to practice what they are preparing to receive.

As you can see, preparation for Holy Communion is dependent upon three sources; the parents, the church and the school. One cannot function without the other. I hope you will embrace this important training and faith formation for your child, and for yourselves as a parent or guardian. As Christian parents and pastors, we want our children to know Jesus and faithfully fulfill the Lord's instruction that we form disciples—committed and active followers. I look forward to working with you and your family.

To be signed and returned with registration form no later than Monday, September 8, 2025.

We,	have read and acknowledge that our child(ren),		
Parents' names / Guardian	n's name		
	will be preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Holy		
Child(ren)'s Name(s)			
Communion and will provide our full suppor	t in providing necessary guidance to complete the steps in this time of preparation		
and to help our child(ren) actively practice t	he faith both at home and at church.		
Parents' Signature			