

2020 Registration for First Communion and Confirmation

St. John the Apostle Parish

Dear Parents/Guardians:

St. John the Apostle Parish is **extending the registration date** for First Communion and Confirmation till before Christmas (**cut-off date Dec. 23**).

If you have a child in **Grade 2** who is eligible to receive their **First Confession and First Holy Communion** please see the instructions below on how you can register them. If a Catholic child is in a higher grade but has not yet received their First Communion, they too may be registered.

If you have a child in **Grade 6** who is eligible to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** also see the instructions below on how you can register them. If a Catholic child is in a higher grade but has not yet received their Confirmation, they too may be registered.

To be eligible to receive any of these sacraments the child must have been baptized or received into the Roman Catholic Church. Also, to receive these sacraments at St. John the Apostle Parish the child must either reside in the geographic boundaries of the parish or regularly attend church here.

Children not in the Catholic school system (i.e. those in public or private schools, or homeschooled) who fit the above qualifications may also be registered. They will need to take instruction through the parish before receiving the sacraments. Our instructors will contact you at a later date with further details.

How to Register

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic we are accepting registration by either of the following methods:

1. By filling out the **online** Registration Form (<https://www.stjohntheapostleparish.com/news-and-events>) and emailing it to the parish office *with an attached copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate*. Email address: stjohnap@magma.ca
2. Or by **mailing** the completed Registration Form and a *photocopy of the child's Baptismal Certificate* to the parish office (St. John the Apostle Parish, 2340 Baseline Road, Ottawa, ON, K2C 0C9).

Due to the uncertainty as to what restrictions may or may not be in place next year due to COVID-19, at this time exact dates for First Confession/Communion and Confirmation have yet to be established. Suffice to say that First Confession will likely be during Lent 2021 and First Communion and Confirmation are intended for the 2021 Easter season. Dates will be firmed up well in advance of the actual sacraments. Sorry about any inconvenience this may cause.

If you have any questions please contact the parish office by phone (613-829-1760).

Thank you,

Rev. Lindsay Harrison
Pastor
St. John the Apostle Parish