

## 2024 – 2025 FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Grade two is traditionally the time when children of the Roman Catholic faith celebrate their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. We are looking forward to celebrating those special moments in your family's faith journey.

As you may already be aware, our Parish follows the Archdiocesan programs, "We Prepare for Reconciliation" and "We Share In The Eucharist." These programs remind us of the important role of the parents in the faith life of their children.

It is important for parents to realize that Sacraments are primarily PARISH, not School celebrations. We recognize that some students in our parish schools may come from different parishes. If this is the case, you may wish your child to celebrate the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the parish where your family regularly worships.

Our first meeting and registration for the children celebrating The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion at St. Rose of Lima Parish will be held in the Parish Hall on:

Saturday, September 28, 2024, 10 a.m. Information and Registration Presentation by Fr. Vijai or Fr. Sojan (Parents required to attend) Registration (ALL SCHOOLS) follows until 12:00 noon

Please COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM AND BRING IT TO THE MEETING (as stated above) ALONG WITH A COPY OF YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM CERTIFICATE and \$50 registration fee.

Parents are expected to make a serious commitment to see that their children attend each activity. Since attendance is one of the indicators of readiness for receiving a sacrament; failure to attend any meetings will result in your child not receiving their sacraments.

There will be no makeup sessions.

We look forward to seeing you on September 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. Please be on time.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Vijai Amirtharaj CSC Pastor Rev. Fr. Sojan Augustine Athickal CSC Associate Pastor