

Erie Catholic School System

Information:

The 2nd and 3rd Grades in our Catholic Tradition are special because that is when our children study, participate in and receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time. Bishop Persico continues to emphasize the importance of celebrating these sacraments in their Home Parish, because it is essential for the parish family to gather together to support our children in this important stage of their faith formation.

In other words: Students will receive the Sacraments in the Parish they are registered.

Parish: Obligation for all St. George Parish students:

- † Contact parents/guardians to attend two (2) Parent Meetings
First meeting will be held at the beginning of the school year
Second meeting will be held during the student sacramental retreat
- † Bring a completed registration form to the first meeting with a copy of your student's baptismal certificate. Contact the school office if a copy is needed. (There is no registration fee for school students)
- † Students and parents/guardians attend the Sacrament Retreat
- † Students and parents/guardians attend all practices
- † Everyone is invited to attend the Celebrations
First Communion will be counted as your Sunday obligation

Erie Catholic Schools: Teacher Obligations:

- † St. George School teachers will prepare *all registered Catholic students* in 2nd and 3rd grades
This includes The Liturgy of the Eucharist, How to Receive the Host, Proper Etiquette in Church during Mass, etc.

How to Go to Confession, What is Reconciliation, Forgiveness & Healing

- † St. George students will practice with all St. George Parish students. This Includes, Faith Formation students and other Catholic School students.

Questions? Contact Mary Lou Pacoe in the Faith Formation Office

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