June 2, 2011

Dear Grade 2 Parents:

Congratulations! This will be an exciting year for your family as your child continues to grow in faith through the reception of two sacraments, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Registration for these sacraments is now taking place. Please fill out the enclosed registration form and provide both a copy of your child's baptismal certificate (even if they were baptized at St. Michael's) and a recent wallet-sized photo of them. The registration deadline is Thursday, June 30th, 2011.

Reconciliation

There will be a meeting held on <u>Tuesday September 20th</u>, <u>2011 from 7:00-8:30 pm</u> in the parish hall for **parents only**, where we will review everything you need to know for your child to receive Reconciliation this year. We will discuss times, locations and questions concerning the sacrament. **All parents are required to attend**.

There will be a meeting held on <u>Tuesday September 27th, 2011 from 7:00-8:30 pm</u> in the parish hall for **parents only** where we will discuss both the topics of sin and conversion. **All parents are required to attend**.

This year parents are to participate in the reconciliation service to renew the grace given by this sacrament, as well as to model the sacrament for their child. The three possible dates for Reconciliation are:

Saturday October 1st from 10:00 am Tuesday October 4th from 6:30-8:00 pm Thursday October 6th from 6:30-8:00 pm

First Eucharist

We have scheduled a meeting to provide you with the opportunity to reflect on the gift of the Eucharist in your own life and that of your child. **All parents are required to attend**. At this meeting we will have sign up sheets available for the dates and times of the First Eucharist masses.

This will be held on <u>Tuesday January 10th</u>, <u>2011 from 7:00-8:30 pm</u> at St. Michael's parish hall and is for parents only.

There will be three parent and child catechesis meetings to discuss the gifts of the mass, the Eucharist and the commandments. All three meetings must be attended. The dates are:

Saturday January 14th 9:30-10:30 am
Saturday January 21st 9:30-10:30 am
Saturday January 28th 9:30-10:30 am
First Eucharist will be celebrated on April 21st/22nd, April 28^{sh}/29th, May 5th/6th, May 12th/13th

The First Eucharist Mass Times are: Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm

In Christ,

Fr. Murray Sample
Pastor

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Pastoral Minister