



Dear Parents,

This has surely been a school year like no other! Here at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, we give thanks for the blessing of our Catholic schools as a special place for children to learn more about Jesus Christ, to practice living in a community of faith, and to develop and deepen a relationship with Christ.

As a parent, the Church has always held that you are the primary teacher of the faith for your child. You teach them about God; you set the example; you talk about your own faith; and you bring them to Mass.

Home, parish and school are each involved in preparing your child for a Catholic sacrament. It is a group effort, and everyone has a role. Most children attending Catholic schools are ready to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in grade 2, but **there is no such thing as too late**. Sacramental preparation will be starting up again after summer break and **we invite you to pre-register your child for our fall session**.

OLPH offers sacramental preparation several times throughout the year, to support and encourage parents in their role as the first teachers and models of the faith, and to celebrate these sacraments in community. Along with your child's Catholic school, we are eager to walk beside you and your children during this very special time. **To register, please complete the attached form and return to Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, either in person or by email to [sacraments@olph.ca](mailto:sacraments@olph.ca)**. We will contact you once your registration is received.

To find out more please email [sacraments@olph.ca](mailto:sacraments@olph.ca) OR visit [www.olph.ca/sacraments](http://www.olph.ca/sacraments). We wish you and your precious children God's blessings of a safe and relaxing summer.

In Christ,

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