***St. Aidan Roman Catholic Church***

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Dear Parents of Children in Grade 2 or 3,

Regarding your Child’s First Reconciliation and First Communion:

Most children receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time in Grade 2. We are including the Grade 3’s since some of the children may have missed their First Communion. We will have classes for your children at St. Aidan’s Church Hall on Sundays, right after the 12 noon Mass. These classes will begin on Sunday Oct. 23rd at 1:00 pm. Each class will be about one hour. The classes will continue every Sunday except for special holidays.

Parents will need to register their child with St. Aidan’s Church for the sacramental preparation program. Registration forms are available on our parish website: [staidanssc.archtoronto.org](http://staidanssc.archtoronto.org) If your child was not baptized at St. Aidan’s, we will also need your child’s baptismal certificate.

I propose that students at St. Sylvester’s will do their first Reconciliation on Thursday January 18 at their School, during school hours. Students at St. Aidan’s will do their first Reconciliation on Monday January 15 at their School, during school hours. Students from other schools will need to make arrangements with Fr. Steven.

Once the children have been prepared, we will have a special Mass for the children’s First Holy Communion on Sunday April 28, at 3:00 pm.

Please help your child during this preparation time by accompanying them in their preparations, speaking to them of your own experiences on the importance of Confession and Holy Communion, and by praying with them regularly.

Sincerely in Christ,

 Fr. Steven Szakaczki