



ST. MARY IMMACULATE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

10295 Yonge Street, Richmond Hill, Ontario L4C 3B9

September 3, 2024

Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Mary Immaculate Catholic Church.

Congratulations! Your child is beginning the journey in which he/she joins your family and God's family at the Lord's Table for the first time.

When children are baptized in the Catholic Church, parents take on the responsibility of raising them in the practice of the faith by keeping God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor. This is an important year of preparation for your family as your child prepares to receive both the **Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) and the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist (First Holy Communion)**. The best preparation for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion that you can give your child is **REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT MASS**. This year we are strongly encouraging our First Communion candidates to participate in our Sunday's Children's Liturgy at the 11:00 am Mass.

Registration will take place on **Sunday, September 22 and Sunday, September 29 after the 12:30 pm Masses** in the Parish hall. Please include a copy of your child's baptismal certificate as this is absolutely necessary for registration as well as \$80.00 registration fee to cover materials and administrative costs. Registration forms will not be accepted if any information is missing. Deadline to register is **October 31, 2024, forms will not be accepted after this date**.

If your child is in Grade 3 and did not receive the Sacrament when in Grade 2, you may complete a registration form for this year.

If your child is in a higher grade, please complete the RCIC registration form available on our website or contact the parish office as this requires a different registration process.

If your child attends private or public school, they are expected to attend Catechism classes. Classes will take place Sunday mornings, **beginning in January 2025 from 9:15 am – 10:45 am followed with Mass at 11:00 am**. Specific dates of when the classes will begin will be provided at a later date.

Children attending catholic schools will receive instruction through the school's religious program in preparing them for the Sacraments and are not required to take Catechism classes however, they are more than welcome to attend if you wish.

The **Sacrament of First Reconciliation(Confession)** will take place on **Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 7:00 pm**. The **Sacrament of First Holy Communion** will take place end of May and June. Specific dates will be provided late November.

As your Pastor, once again I remind you the importance of these occasions both for the children and for our parish family as they take another step toward their full initiation as members of the Church.

Let us assist our young people with our prayers as they prepare to receive our Lord in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Wishing your family the richness of God's many blessings during this time of preparation.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Shibil John Pariyathupadavil
Pastor

2024-25 First Holy Communion Registration Form

Please complete this form and return it to the parish.
Registrations will **NOT** be accepted after **October 31, 2024**



Registration Fee: \$80
(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

School Information

Name of School: _____	Grade & Teacher: _____
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Parish Information

Name of Parish: St. Mary Immaculate Church	City: Richmond Hill
<input type="checkbox"/> I currently live within the territorial boundaries of the parish.	
<input type="checkbox"/> I currently do not live within the territorial boundaries of the parish, but I am formally registered at the parish.	

Child's Information ***** attach a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate to this form *****

Full legal name of child: (Please ensure the name below matches the one shown on the baptism certificate)		
_____	_____	_____
First Name	Middle Name(s)	Last Name
<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Date of Birth: _____	City of Birth: _____
	mm/dd/yy	
Church of Baptism: _____	Date of Baptism: _____	
	mm/dd/yy	
Address of Baptismal Church: _____		
Baptismal Church Email: _____		

Parent's Information

<u>Mother</u> (Full legal name & Maiden Name)			
_____	_____	_____	_____
First Name	Middle Name(s)	Last Name	(Maiden Name)
Religion: <input type="checkbox"/> Roman Catholic	Other: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> None
Present Address: _____			
	Street	City	Postal Code
Phone: _____		Email: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a parent of, or have legal custody of the child.			
<u>Father</u> (Full legal name)			
_____	_____	_____	
First Name	Middle Name(s)	Last Name	
Religion: <input type="checkbox"/> Roman Catholic	Other: _____		<input type="checkbox"/> None
Present Address: <input type="checkbox"/> Same as mother's			
	Street	City	Postal Code
Phone: _____		Email: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> I am a parent of, or have legal custody of the child.			

Declaration

I, the undersigned, declare that the information on this form is true and accurate. I authorize by my signature below, for my child to participate in classes if necessary.	
Name (PLEASE PRINT): _____	
Signature: _____	Date: _____