



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT COMMITMENT

St. Martin of Tours Catholic Community – Fort Lee, VA

2026/2027 CRE Program Year



1. St. Martin of Tours expectations
 - a. My child and I will attend Mass regularly at St. Martin of Tours, Fort Lee, VA.
 - i. This includes Sunday Masses and the Holy Days of Obligation in the Latin Rite dioceses of the United States of America.
 - ii. My family and I will sit in the first 10 pews throughout the sacramental year for attendance purposes.
 - b. My child will attend all CRE programming; classes and group celebrations.
 - i. I will be required to attend a meeting w/ Fr. Eugene after my child misses 2 classes to discuss if my child is ready to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.
 - c. I will provide all information needed to submit a complete, accurate record of Sacrament to the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA.
 - i. Information must be complete, legal information. (ex. Full Legal Name)
 - d. I will help prepare my child for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion by assisting them in studying their prayer packet for proficiency prior to First Holy Communion on 2 May 27.
 - e. I will ensure my child is appropriately dressed for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.
2. Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA expectations
 - a. My child will complete a minimum of 30 hours CRE instruction for sacramental validity.
 - i. These 30 hours will continue after the Sacrament of First Holy Communion through the end of the CRE program year.
 - ii. If necessary, my child will complete their remaining hours in the next CRE year.
 1. If PCS'ing, the CRE Coordinator will communicate with the gaining installation the need to complete the requirement.
 - b. I will request a Baptism Certificate with notations within 6 months of First Holy Communion prior to 14 March 2027.
 - i. Window for request opens on 1 December 2026.
3. First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Retreat
 - a. My child and I will attend the First Reconciliation Retreat and Sacrament on 20 March 27.
 - b. My child and I will attend the First Holy Communion Retreat on 1 May 27.
4. First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion certificates
 - a. The CREC will record all Sacraments at the conclusion of the FY27 CRE Program or when all the requirements have been satisfied.

As I make this commitment to my child and the St. Martin of Tours CRE Program, I ask God to give me the grace to be open to His plans for my child. I place myself and my child in the loving embrace of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in asking for help in fulfilling this commitment.

Name of Parent or Guardian (Print)

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Name of First Holy Communion Student (Print)

Date of Signature