



## San Juan Catholic Community

### The First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Process



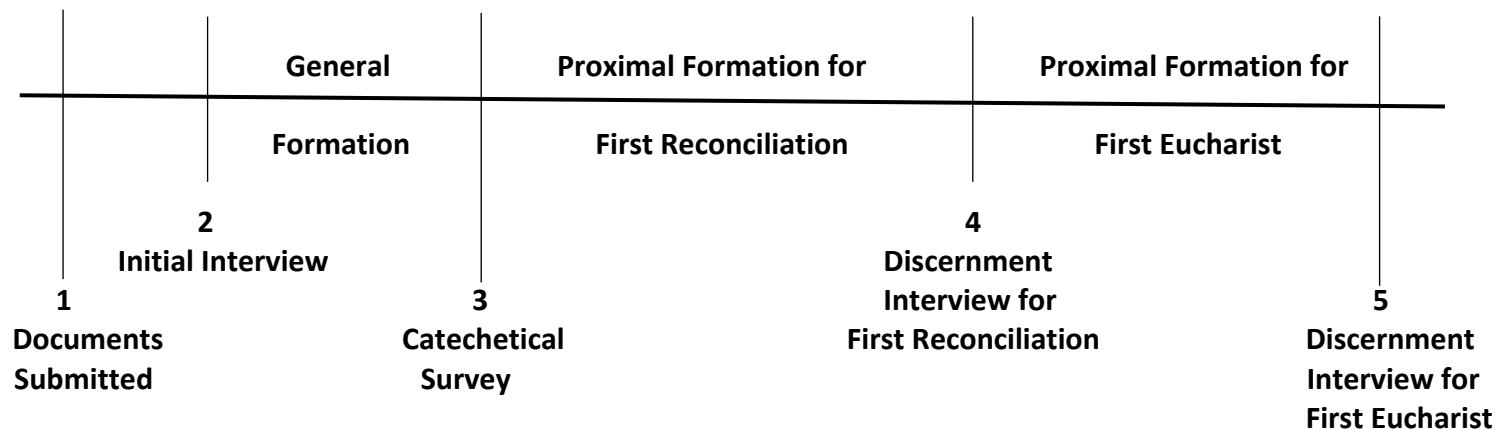
*“Confessing our sins may be difficult for us, but it brings us peace. We are sinners, and we need God’s forgiveness.”*

-- Pope Francis, Nov. 18, 2013

*“There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God had something more precious, He would have given it to us.”*

--- St. John Vianney

#### STAGES OF THE FORMATION PROCESS



1. **Documents Submitted** – Families that request the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist should submit the student’s Birth Certificate, Baptism Certificate, and Registration Form for Reconciliation and Eucharist early in the process. There is no exact date because these Sacraments can be celebrated throughout the year. It is recommended this be done early in the formation year. They must be submitted before the Initial Interview.
2. **Initial Interview** - Families are to call the office (852-2673) to schedule an Initial Interview. At the interview a member of the clergy and/or a catechist delegate will introduce him or herself and get to know the student and his or her family. The formation process and the Diocesan Discernment Form will be previewed. The student will continue in religious formation.

3. **Catechetical Survey** – Once a student has completed Units 1 through 4 in their Alive in Christ textbook (including the chapter and unit reviews) he or she is ready for the Catechetical Survey. Please notify the office (852-2673) that the student is ready for their Catechetical Survey. The Catechetical Survey is an opportunity for the student demonstrate that he or she has acquired basic catechetical understandings. When the student shows a readiness he or she may advance to proximal formation for Reconciliation. The text for proximal formation for Reconciliation is *Blessed, First Reconciliation*. Students are to do the “*Show What You Know*” and “*Journal with Jesus*” activities at the end of each chapter.
  
4. **Discernment Interview for First Reconciliation** - Once the student has completed the First Reconciliation text, he or she is to schedule a Discernment Interview. At this interview items one through five of the Diocesan form is completed. The scheduling of a First Reconciliation may take place when the student demonstrates readiness for the Sacrament. The student may proceed to proximal formation for First Eucharist at that time.
  
5. **Discernment Interview for First Holy Communion** - Upon completing *Blessed, First Holy Communion*, a discernment interview for the Sacrament of First Eucharist is scheduled. The scheduling of their First Holy Communion may take place at that time.

### The First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Process Checklist

- 1. The Initial Interview has taken place. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Interviewer
  
- 2. The Catechetical Survey was completed. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Proctor Score
  
- 3. The Discernment Interview for Reconciliation was conducted. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Interviewer
  
- 4. The Sacrament of Reconciliation was scheduled. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time
  
- 5. The Discernment Interview for Eucharist was conducted. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Interviewer
  
- 6. The Sacrament of Eucharist was scheduled. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Time