

Saint Raphael Parish
501 Naugatuck Avenue
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August 2, 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Our records indicate that your child (Grade 2 or older) may be eligible to participate in our Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) Sacramental preparation program for First Reconciliation (Penance) and First Communion (Eucharist) this year.

Enclosed you will find the following information:

- * First Reconciliation/Penance 2024 Program Schedule (Important Dates)
- * First Eucharist/Communion 2025 Program Schedule (Important Dates)

You may have already received a separate mailing with our 2024/2025 GIFT Program Information Sheet and Registration Form. GIFT Registration is required for families with children in our First Reconciliation and First Communion programs. If the registration fee is a hardship at this time, just let me know. If you have not received this GIFT Program mailing, please let me know.

Important: There is a required Sacramental Program information session for parents/guardians of children preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion—with two date options:

- * Saturday, September 7 from 10 am to 11 am *or*
- * Tuesday, September 10 from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Location – Parish Center Classroom, 501 Naugatuck Ave

This information session is for adults, not children. Any children who need to attend due to child care needs will be engaged in an activity across the hall with one of our catechists.

In addition to the required Sacramental program sessions on the enclosed schedules, we strongly encourage you to participate in the full GIFT program sessions for 2024/2025. This monthly program will begin in late September and will focus on the Nicene Creed. These sessions are a wonderful learning opportunity for people of all ages and a great way to meet people in our St. Raphael Parish community of faith.

We look forward to working with you and your child in the GIFT Sacramental Program this year. If you have any questions, please contact Maria Tomasetti at atomasetti@snet.net or 203-988-8598 (cell phone – voice or text).

Sincerely,

Maria Tomasetti
GIFT Sacramental Program Coordinator