

## **Preparation Questions for Reception of the Sacraments**

1. Who made us?  
God made us.
2. Did God make all things?  
Yes, God made all things.
3. Where is God?  
God is everywhere.
4. Does God know all things?  
Yes, God knows all things.
5. Did God have a beginning?  
No, God always was.
6. Will God always be?  
Yes, God will always be.
7. Can God do all things?  
Yes, God can do all things.
8. Is there only one God?  
Yes, there is only one God.
9. How many divine persons are there in God?  
In God there are three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
10. What special name do we give the three persons in one God?  
The Holy Trinity or the Blessed Trinity
11. What is the Bible?  
The Bible is a holy book. It is the written word of God.
12. What is faith?  
Faith is accepting God's invitation to believe and trust in Him.
13. What is the Church?  
The Church is the people of God.
14. What is prayer?  
Prayer is talking and listening to God.
15. What is our soul?  
Our soul is the part of us that lives forever.
16. What are hymns?  
Hymns are songs we use to pray to God.

17. What does anoint mean?  
Anoint means to bless a person with holy oil.
18. What is a parable?  
A parable is a story that helps people understand what Jesus was teaching.
19. What is sin?  
Sin is freely choosing to say or do something we know is against God's laws.
20. Who committed the first sin?  
The bad angels committed the first sin.
21. Who committed the first sin on earth?  
Adam and Eve, our first parents, committed the first sin on earth.
22. Are the effects of this sin passed on to us from Adam?  
Yes, this sin is called original sin.
23. Was anyone ever free from the effects of original sin?  
Yes, the Blessed Virgin Mary was free from this sin.
24. Is original sin the only kind of sin?  
No, there is another kind of sin called actual sin. It is a sine we ourselves commit.
25. How many kinds of actual sin are there?  
There are two kinds of actual sin: mortal sin and venial sin.
26. What is mortal sin?  
Mortal sin is a serious failure in our love and respect for God, others, ourselves and God's creation.
27. What is venial sin?  
Venial sin is a less serious sin.
28. What are the two great commandments that Jesus gave us?  
They are to love God and to love your neighbor.
29. What is a sacrament?  
There are seven sacraments. They are special celebrations of worship that make Jesus present to us in a special way.
30. What did the sacrament of Baptism do for us?  
Baptism took away the effects of original sin and gave us God's life which is called grace.
31. Who are our godparents?  
They are people who help us live as Catholics.
32. What is the Sacrament of Reconciliation?  
It is the sacrament by which sins committed after Baptism can be forgiven. It is also sometimes called the Sacrament of Penance and Confession.

33. What must we do to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation worthily?
  1. Examine your conscience.
  2. Be sorry for our sins.
  3. Promise God not to sin again.
  4. Tell our sins to the priest.
  5. Do the penance the priest gives us to make up for our sins.
34. What is contrition?  
Contrition is being sorry for our sins.
35. What does confess mean?  
Confess means to tell our sins to the priest.
36. What is our penance?  
Penance is a prayer or good deed the priest gives us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
37. What is absolution?  
Absolution is the words and blessing of the priest prayed in the Sacrament of Reconciliation that offers us forgiveness.
38. What is temptation?  
It is something that tries to lead us to choose to do something wrong.
39. What is conscience?  
It is a gift from God that helps us know right from wrong.
40. What is a proverb?  
It is a short saying about life that helps us make good choices.
41. What is a covenant?  
It is a special promise between God and his people.
42. What is the Nativity?  
It is the name of the Bible story that tells about the birth of Jesus.
43. Who is a disciple?  
A disciple is a person who follows Jesus.
44. Who was Elizabeth?  
She was the mother of John the Baptist.
45. Who was Zechariah?  
He is the father of John the Baptist.
46. Who is the mother of Jesus?  
Mary is the mother of Jesus.
47. Who is Jesus?  
Jesus is the Son of God and the second person of the Holy Trinity. He is both God and man.

48. What is the Liturgy of the Word?  
This is the first main part of the Mass. God speaks to us through the readings from the Bible.
49. What is the Gospel?  
Gospel means “good news.” The Gospels tell about the life of Jesus when He was on earth.
50. What is the Liturgy of the Eucharist?  
The Liturgy of the Eucharist is the second main part of the Mass.
51. When does the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus?  
Jesus Christ becomes present in the bread and wine during the Consecration of the Mass when the priest says “This is My Body” and “This is My Blood.”
52. What is the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist?  
It is when we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus.
53. What must we do to receive Holy Communion?  
1. We must have our souls free from mortal sin.  
2. We should not eat or drink anything for one hour before we receive Holy Communion.  
Only water or medicine may be taken within one hour of receiving Holy Communion.
54. Who are extraordinary ministers?  
They are the people who help the priest give us Holy Communion.
55. What is a crucifix?  
It is a cross with the figure of the body of Jesus on it.
56. What is the Resurrection?  
It is Jesus’ rising from the dead.
57. What is the Ascension?  
It is the return of Jesus to his Father in Heaven.
58. What is Pentecost?  
This is the day the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples.
59. What is the Mass?  
It is the celebration of listening to God’s Word and blessing and thanking God in the Eucharist.
60. What does the word “Eucharist” mean?  
It is a Greek word which means “thanksgiving.”
61. What does the word “Amen” mean?  
It means “yes, I believe.”
62. Who is the presider at mass?  
He is the priest who leads us in celebration the Mass.

63. What is grace?  
Grace is God's life within us.
64. Who are the Archangels?  
1. They are messengers of God to men in matters of great importance.  
2. St. Michael is the leader of the good angels, who fought and won against the bad angels.  
3. Raphael moved the waters of the pool, where Christ worked his miracle (John 5:1-4).  
4. Gabriel was the angel of the Annunciation. He appeared to Mary to tell her she was going to be the mother of Jesus.
65. Who are guardian angels?  
They are angels assigned to each person to protect and intercede for them.
66. Who is the mother of Mary?  
St. Anne is the mother of Mary.
67. Who is the father of Mary?  
St. Joachim is the father of Mary.
68. What is the name of the prayer that Jesus taught us?  
The prayer that Jesus taught us is the Our Father.
69. What is liturgy?  
Liturgy is the participation of the people of God in the work of God.
70. What are the names of the seven sacraments?  
The seven sacraments are:  
1. Baptism: The sacrament that removes original sin from our soul.  
2. Reconciliation: The sacrament that celebrates the gift of God's forgiveness  
3. Holy Eucharist: The sacrament in which we receive the body and blood of Jesus.  
4. Confirmation: The sacrament in which we receive the Holy Spirit to make us strong in our faith.  
5. Holy Orders: The sacrament a man receives when he receives the power and grace to perform his sacred duties as an ordained minister.  
6. Matrimony: The sacrament that unites a man and a woman in marriage  
7. Anointing of the Sick: The sacrament that gives health and strength to the soul and sometimes to the body, when there is a danger of death.
71. Who is the patron saint of our church and school?  
St. Mary Magdalen
72. When is the feast day of St. Mary Magdalen?  
July 22<sup>nd</sup>
73. Who was the first person to see Jesus after His resurrection from the dead?  
St. Mary Magdalen