



PARENTAL ROLE

in

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

“The initiation of children into the sacramental life is, for the most part, the responsibility and concern of Christian parents. They are to form and gradually develop a spirit of faith in the children, and with the help of catechetical institutions, prepare them for the fruitful reception of the Sacraments... This responsibility of the parents is also shown by their active participation in the celebration of the Sacraments.”

- Serve as models for their son or daughter by growing in their personal relationship with God and living as committed Christians.
- Share their own faith with their son or daughter, both in word and action.
- Attend parent programs conducted to deepen their awareness of the meaning of Confirmation for Christian living, and to assist them as they help their son or daughter to come to freely request the Sacrament.
- Participate with their son or daughter in the special liturgies and events of the preparation program.
- Assist and encourage the teen to understand and assimilate what is being presented during the preparation period.
- Encourage the newly-confirmed member of their family to continue to be actively involved in the Church, especially their own parish.

