



September 2022.

Dear Parents / Guardians of Grade 2 Children:

I offer you a warm welcome to the new school year! The Parish of St. Vincent de Paul, conjointly with the grade 2 teachers, is about to begin a preparation program for the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation.

Preparation for these sacraments is not based solely on promotion in school. It is important to know and remember that the preparation process is a shared responsibility of parents, pastors, and teachers; however, it is the responsibility of the parish to guide and facilitate the immediate preparation leading to the day of celebration. With this in mind, then, I invite you to consider the importance of the Sunday Eucharist (5:00 p.m. Sat., 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Sun.), as well as sacramental forgiveness, in the life of your family.

This preparation will get underway with the first of two parent orientation or information sessions, in the form of a video-powerpoint presentation taking place in the church hall on Davy St. on Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m. You may park in the church lot which is at the corner of Davy and Picton Sts. The session will last for one hour. It is open to parents with children either at St. Michael Catholic School or in public school. Key dates will be announced at the evening session.

Realizing the paramount importance of your involvement as parent/ guardian, if for any reason you cannot be present that day, you need to inform the parish office (905/468-7272 or [stvincentdepaul@bellnet.ca](mailto:stvincentdepaul@bellnet.ca)) -- not the school office.

In due course, after the session, the registration form can be accessed through the St. Vincent de Paul parish website ([svdpparishnotl.ca](http://svdpparishnotl.ca)). This form will not be available through the school. The completed registration form will need to be submitted

to the classroom teacher (if at St. Michael) or the church office, along with a copy of the child's baptism certificate and a \$15 remittance to cover the cost of materials.

I look forward to greeting you in person at the upcoming orientation night. It will be a pleasure for me to work with everyone in a time of spiritual growth for all!

(Fr.) Peter T. Rowe, Pastor,  
St. Vincent de Paul Parish