## SACRAMENTAL PROTOCOL

The Sacramental protocol for all liturgies at Good Shepherd Church observes and fully complies with the General Instructions of the Roman Missal and rubrics, and all The Rites of the Roman Catholic Church. Orthodoxy and tradition is the Church's premise when celebrating Holy Mass and all Sacraments of the Church.

Holy Mass and all liturgies are celebrated with reverence and solemnity. As instructed from the Roman Missal we celebrate Holy Mass and liturgies offering praise and thanksgiving to God the Father through Jesus Christ our Lord with the sanctification of the Holy Spirit.

## **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered during the year of Grade 8. The date and time is subject to the bishop's calendar. Announcement of date and time will be issued when available.

**Candidates & Sponsors:** to be seated in the front pews of the Church.

**Church Seating:** there are no tickets required for entry into Church and no reserved seating except for Candidates and their Sponsors.

**Attire:** Appropriate attire is mandated. No sneakers, flip flops, jeans, or sweats are to be worn by either candidate or sponsor.

**Video/photography:** a professional video/photographer will be available and a DVD will be distributed. One DVD per family, will be made available a few weeks after the ceremony at the academy and parish offices. Photos are permitted by family. No professional video/photographer hired by a parent will be permitted into the Church. Video/Photos can be taken from side aisles only, no one will be permitted to enter into the sanctuary or cross the transept. Kindly follow the instructions of the Church Ushers. Flash photography is not permitted during Holy Mass. There will be an opportunity for children to be photographed with Parish Priests after Holy Mass.

**Rite of Communion:** is under both Sacred Species - The Most Precious Body and Blood of Christ. Holy Communion will be distributed to children first then to the congregation.

**Church Protocol:** We appreciate your cooperation as to assure solemnity throughout our liturgy in support of our children who about to receive the Most Precious Body and Blood of Christ. Your attention to please observe the following:

- Turn off all cellular phones and communication devices
- Please refrain from unnecessary talking

- Please remain in your seats
- Flash photography is not permitted during Holy Mass
- We encourage all to participate in responding and singing during Holy Mass (Program Booklets will be available)
- Kindly follow the instructions of the Church Ushers