<u>Process for Sacramental Preparation for</u> <u>Confirmation and First Communion</u>

- 1. Pick up information packet in Faith Formation office (FF).
- 2. A handbook is available to download from St. Matthew's web page or buy from the FF (\$5.00 ea) to help parents know what they should be teaching their children.
- 3. Fill out and return to the FF office the **Petition to Begin Formation of the Sacraments** (in the packet form step #1).
- 4. Parents (and children) should attend Household of Faith one hour classes on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM or on Sundays at 9:45 AM to help them understand what should be taught to the children. The class days, times and teachers are listed in the bulletin on the FF Page or on the Spanish Page.
- 5. The students and families should immediately begin to celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)** together at least once a month.
- 6. When parents believe the children are ready, sign them up in the FF office to be scheduled for an **interview with one of the priests**.
- 7. If the priest decides your child is ready, he will submit their name to the FF office to be included with those Celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation and/or First Communion.