

Sample Letter for DRE to Send to Parents with Prepared Course Directions:

Dear Parents,

Welcome to PREPARED, our new on-line course for First Communion Preparation, *Signs of Grace, You are Loved*.

Parents will watch three 35-minute videos at the start of Lesson 1, Lesson 2, and Lesson 3. Then review the discussion questions in the study guide which can be viewed or printed.

Children will complete all 8 sessions with their parent(s). Each lesson will take about 30-40 minutes. Parents, please note that you and your child can follow Miss Mary together as she reads each lesson aloud, or you can read the lesson to your child instead. You can be confident that, either way, you will enjoy this time together.

To begin, click the link in the email to enroll and then follow the steps below.

Note: Unless you have more than one child receiving the sacrament at this time, please *do not* use the link to enroll more than once. If you have more than one child preparing for the sacrament now, you must use a unique email address to register each student.

Step 1: A. If you are new to Prepared for Grace, create a new account by entering your *child's* name, email address, and password. Do not use your own name. Click *SIGN UP*. If you already have an account, refer to the box below to simply login.

The screenshot shows a registration form with the following elements:

- Top right: "If you already have an account, click link, to enter email, password, and click SIGN IN" with a "SIGN IN" link and "CART (0)". A red arrow points to the "SIGN IN" link.
- Center: "Fill in your details and click register to access the school."
- Section Header: "Already a Member? Sign In"
- Input Fields: "First Name", "Last Name", "Email Address", "Password", and "Password Confirmation". Red arrows point to each of these fields.
- Checkbox: " I agree to the Terms & Conditions". A red arrow points to the checkbox.
- Button: "Register". A red arrow points to the button.
- Footer: "© 2021 Augustine Institute" on the left and "Need Help? Contact Support" on the right.

Step 2: Once you are in the course, please click on *Welcome to Signs of Grace* on the left and begin reading the welcome message.

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SIGNS of GRACE

Welcome to Signs of Grace!

The Signs of Grace program for First Holy Communion, *You Are Loved*, tells the story of God's desire to give us his own life in the Eucharist. Jesus tells us that he is the living bread (see John 6:51), and in the Eucharist he gives us himself—his Body, Blood, Soul, and

You can order a hard-copy student activity book which has fun activities, stickers, etc., as well as the student guide, if you wish (optional).

Step 3: Click on *Session 1: Preparing the Way for Christ*

LESSONS

- Session 1: Preparing the Way for Christ
 - Parent/Teacher Prep: Presence, God is with Us
 - Let's Pray and Introduction
 - Instructional Video: God is With Us
 - Let's Read God's Word
 - Let's Learn About Our Faith
 - Activity: Preparing the Way for Christ
 - Let's Recall and Reflect
 - Session 1 Quiz
 - Hope Springs Story
 - Session 2: The Last Supper

NOTES

SUPPORT SIGN OUT

PARENT VIDEO/PRESENCE Parents, download the study guide and work through the questions while watching the video *Presence, God is with Us*. You may want to watch this with your entire family!

Reflection: What was one thing from the video that you heard for the first time or that was an "aha" moment for you?

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PARENT/CHILD To start the student lesson, first click on *Let's Pray and Introduction*.

• **Let's Pray and Introduction**

View or Print the pdfs under the videos. Read along with Miss Mary or read to your child using the pdf.



Welcome to Signs of Grace Session 1: *Preparing the Way for Christ*. In this session you will be learning about how God prepared his Chosen People in the Old Testament for the coming of Jesus our Savior. You will learn about the Passover sacrifice, and how Jesus fulfilled the Passover sacrifice by sacrificing himself and becoming the Lamb of God so that we could be freed from sin and have new life.

Companion pdf files are embedded in each lesson, For your convenience, you can also download the pdf for this video below.

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Continue working through Lesson 1. Always click this link to continue to the next screen.

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Step 4. Continue working through all the other 7 sessions. You can leave at any time. When you return to the site, simply login and click RESUME COURSE:

A screenshot of a course card. The top half has a blue background with the text "SIGNS of GRACE" in large white letters, where "of" is in a script font. Below it, "You Are Loved" is written in a smaller white font. The bottom half has a white background with the text "Signs of Grace: You are Loved" in black. Below that is the word "Class" in a smaller font, followed by a horizontal line. At the bottom right of the white section is a "View Details" link.

At the end of the course, you can print out a certificate of completion.