



2011 Sacramental Gift Guide

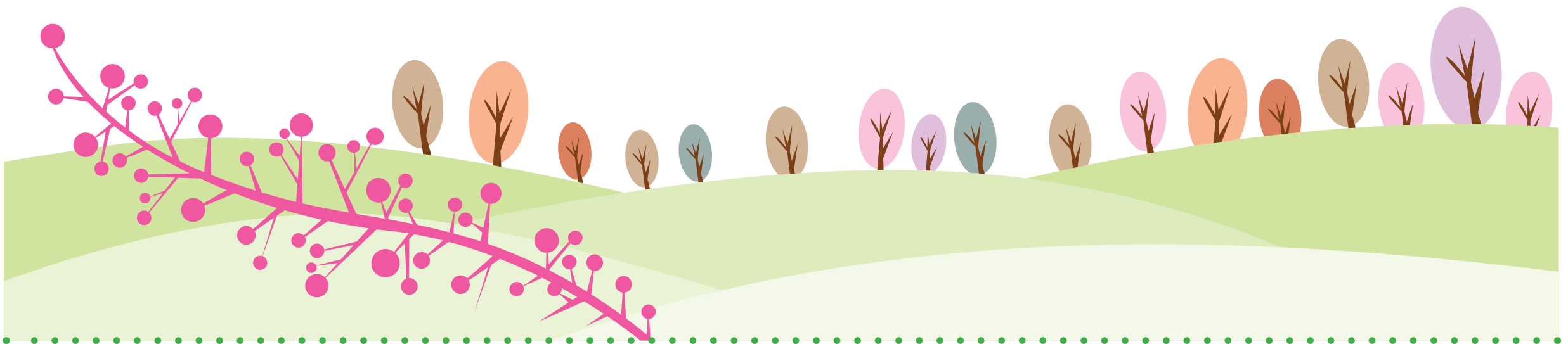
Ideal Choices for First Communion, Confirmation and Baptism

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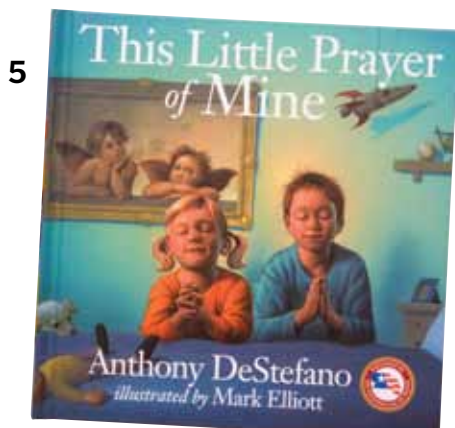
Chances are, this spring you'll be celebrating one of the sacraments — first holy Communion, confirmation or baptism — with family or friends. EWTN Religious Catalogue offers one-stop shopping with fabulous new gift options and faithful bestsellers at affordable prices.

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First Communion Gifts



1. CHILD OF GOD FIRST COMMUNION GIFT SET

This retro first Communion gift set will please first communicants. The six-piece set includes rosary, rosary case, brown scapular, pin and bookmark, and a gold-stamped cover of the *Child of God* "Cathedral" edition missal written by Jesuit Father Daniel Lord in 1942. Colorful illustrations enrich a step-by-step description of the Mass for children and traditional devotions, including the mysteries of the Rosary, Stations of the Cross, daily prayers and more. \$28 each, Item: 5270 (Girl's); Item: 5271 (Boy's).

2. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CROSS

This cherry wood cross is ornamented with a silver-plated onlay of a pewter Communion chalice with wheat and grapes that are symbolic of the host and wine that will become the body and blood of Jesus at the consecration. Measures 7 inches. \$26, Item: 7511.

3. HOLY LAND OLIVE-WOOD COMMUNION ROSARY AND BOX

Made in the Holy Land, this lovely olive-wood bead rosary with a silver-plated crucifix and a chalice center comes with an olive-wood box adorned with a pewter first Communion design. \$23, Item: 600R.

4. HOLY EUCHARIST HOLY WATER FONT

If Tolkien's Hobbits had a holy water font, this is what it would look like. The font is made of resin and painted to resemble wood that is embellished with grapevines and a Eucharistic image. Measures 4 inches x 7 1/4 inches. \$28, Item: 0J136.

5. THIS LITTLE PRAYER OF MINE

With rhyming schemes and colorful illustrations, *This Little Prayer of Mine*, by Anthony DeStefano and illustrated by Mark Elliott, "encourages the little ones to develop a prayer life and hear the voice of God," says Teresa Tomeo, radio host for EWTN Global Radio. \$13 (Hardcover, 40 pages), Item: 58049.

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First Communion Gifts, Continued



1. "MY FIRST COMMUNION" COORDINATING WALL PLAQUE, KEEPSAKE BOX & PICTURE FRAME

This three-piece resin set with the "wheat, grapes and chalice" theme includes "I am the bread of life" from John 6:35 wall plaque (4 1/2 inches x 6 1/4 inches), a small cross-shaped "My First Communion" keepsake box (2 1/2 inches x 3 1/2 inches and is 1/4 inch deep) for holding a rosary, and a "My First Communion" picture frame, which holds a 3 1/2-inch x 5-inch photo. Individually priced. *Wall plaque, \$13.50, Item: 63106; Keepsake box, \$12.50, Item: 63107; Frame, \$17.50, Item: 47604.*

2. TWO-TONE FIRST COMMUNION CROSS

Pewter cross necklace featuring gold-toned grapes, loaves and fishes surrounding a chalice and host. Measures 1 3/4 inch with an 18-inch cord and comes with a pamphlet of first Communion prayers. \$8, *Item: 76065.*

3. BLESSED SACRAMENT MEDAL

Both boys and girls will appreciate this sterling Blessed Sacrament medal keepsake featuring the holy Eucharist surmounted by a cross above a chalice that is bordered by wheat and grape leaves. Measures 3/4 inch and comes with an 18-inch stainless chain. \$38, *Item: 8755S.*

4. PERSONALIZED FIRST COMMUNION BOX

Always remember the date that you first received the precious body and blood of Christ with this personalized first holy Communion box. Under the decorative pewter frame that tops the brown wooden box, the communicant's name and date of his first Communion are recorded. Measures 4 inches x 5 inches x 2 inches. \$20, *Item: 469.*

5. MY FIRST COMMUNION MUSICAL KEEPSAKE BOX

Lovely rectangle music box with the words, "My First Communion: God will be beside to listen as you pray, and He is sure to bless you on your Special Day." It comes in black and plays "Hallelujah" for boys; it also comes in ivory for girls, with the tune of "Ave Maria." Measures 6 inches x 4 inches x 2 inches. \$20 each, *Item: 8013 (Boy's, black) Item: 8009 (Girl's, ivory).*

6. PERSONALIZED FIRST COMMUNION ROSARY BOXES

Resplendent round gold-plated rosary box accented with pearls and white enamel features an image of a chalice and host with an open Bible on its lid. It comes in tan for boys and pink for girls, and it can be personalized with the child's first name and the date of his or her first holy Communion. Measures 2 1/2 inches in diameter. \$18 each, *Item: HC10 (Boy's); Item: HC7 (Girl's).*



7. SILVER FIRST COMMUNION KEEPSAKE BOX

All the way from Italy, this silver first holy Communion box features an image of chalice and host. Measures 2 1/2 inches square. \$25, *Item: 13358.*

8. CHILDREN'S ROSARIES

A lovely rosary is a befitting first Communion gift. Choose a rosary with a pewter chalice center in black, crystal or pearl heart. Another option is the feminine pink-hued hearts rosary with a pewter Miraculous Medal center. \$18 each, *Item: 459SG (Black); Item: 586SG (Crystal); Item: 464SG (Pearl heart); Price: \$20, Item: 926DG (Pink heart).*

9. "MY FIRST COMMUNION" MUSICAL STATUE

"My First Communion" statue features Jesus with a little girl or boy dressed for first holy Communion. First communicants can wind it up to hear the Lord's Prayer. Statue is made of a resin stone mix and measures 7 1/2 inches high. \$32.50 each, *Item: 62309 (Girl's); Item: 62308 (Boy's).*

10. PERSONALIZED FIRST COMMUNION PLAQUE

This Anima Christi "Soul of Christ" prayer plaque comes personalized with the communicant's name, date of the first Communion, and an oval photo insert where a picture of the child — dressed to meet Christ — can be placed. Framed in 12-inch x 10-inch white wood and matted (in the choice of blue or pink) under glass. \$25 each, *Item: 82647 (Girl's, pink); Item: 82649 (Boy's, blue).*

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1. CHAPLET OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Chaplet of the Holy Spirit was composed by a Franciscan missionary, in 1892, and later, in 1902, it was officially approved by Pope Leo VIII. The perfect confirmation gift, this red-beaded chaplet with a pewter Holy Spirit medal comes with prayer instructions. \$9, Item: 96C.

2. CONFIRMATION MEDALS

This regal-looking confirmation medal has an image of a soaring dove with the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit radiating beneath its wings. Another tasteful option is the sterling silver circular medal featuring a dove, also in flight. Each measures 3/4 inch and includes an 18-inch chain. \$36 (Seven Gifts of Confirmation), Item: 886SS; \$35 (Holy Spirit), Item: 16034.

3. SILVER CROSS WITH DOVE

Modern-styled, sterling-silver cross pendant with cut-out in the shape of a dove. Measures 1 inch and comes on an 18-inch chain. \$34, Item: L7017.

4. HOLY SPIRIT WALL CRUCIFIX

Unique wooden crucifix with a cut-out image of a dove — the Holy Spirit — descending upon the crucified Christ. Measures 8 inches and comes in either cherry wood or walnut. \$26 each, Item: 7721 (Cherry); Item: 7706 (Walnut).

5. GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT BRACELET

Young ladies will appreciate this silver-plated bracelet with the gifts of the Holy Spirit engraved upon it: *Wisdom, Knowledge, Counsel, Fortitude, Understanding, Piety and Fear of the Lord*. Measures 7 1/2 inches. \$12, Item: 11563.

6. FOLLOWING THE HOLY SPIRIT

Help enrich the spiritual life of a young person with Father Walter Van de Putte's book of meditations and prayers to the Holy Spirit called *Following the Holy Spirit*. Includes illustrations. \$8 (Vinyl cover, 288 pages), Item: 33500.

7. SAINT JOSEPH CONFIRMATION BOOK

Fitting for confirmation candidates, the *Saint Joseph Confirmation Book* by Father Lawrence Lovasik contains preparation for the sacrament of confirmation: the confirmation rite, prayers, instructions and readings from the Gospel. Also includes illustrations. \$8 (Hardcover with ribbon, 288 pages), Item: 24904.

8. CHAPLET CORD KITS

Make your own Holy Spirit Chaplet. Kit includes medal, yellow-gold and white cord, a tool for making the chaplet, instructions and prayer guide. For ages 13 and up. \$15, Item: C782.

9. CLASSIC STERLING CRUCIFIX

For the individual looking for a traditional-styled crucifix, this sterling crucifix measures 1 1/2 inches and comes on a 24-inch rhodium chain. \$45, Item: L6032.

10. GOLD OVER STERLING CRUCIFIX

This ornate-styled crucifix has a sterling silver Corpus Christi on a sterling, etched cross covered with 18kt gold. Measures 3/4 inch on an 18-inch chain. \$36, Item: JT8045.

11. "GROW IN THE GRACE OF THE LORD" COLLECTION

The "Grow in the Grace of the Lord" Collection features a cream-colored wall cross and a cross-shaped rosary box with a silver descending dove. Both are accented with burgundy and green hues and are made from a resin/stone mix. \$12.50 each, Item: 41232 (Wall cross measures 7 inches); Item: 41234 (Rosary box measures 3 1/2 inches x 1 1/2 inches deep).

12. PERSONALIZED CONFIRMATION PLAQUE

Gold-toned, wood-framed confirmation plaque comes with a prayer reminding us of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, along with an oval 5-inch x 7-inch photo insert and place to personalize the plaque with the candidate's name and the date of confirmation. Double-matted with gold and ivory. Measures 11 1/2 inches x 9 1/2 inches. \$30, Item: 82860.



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1. BAPTISMAL BIBLE

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2. CATHOLIC BABY'S FIRST MEMORIES

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3. CATHOLIC BABY'S FIRST BOOKS

This Bible and Prayerbook with carrying handles make toting books around easy for toddlers. Vividly illustrated, these board books will keep little ones peaceful during Mass. \$16 each, Item: 10410 (Bible, 16 pages); Item: 10411 (Prayerbook, 20 pages).

4. BAPTISMAL WALL CROSS

A faithful accent to any nursery, this white, pink and blue-hued 8-inch wall cross comes with the prayer: "May God's love surround you. May He wrap you in His arms. May you grow in faith with Jesus. May He keep you from all harm." On the back of the cross is a place to mark the date of the baptism. \$15, Item: 44324.

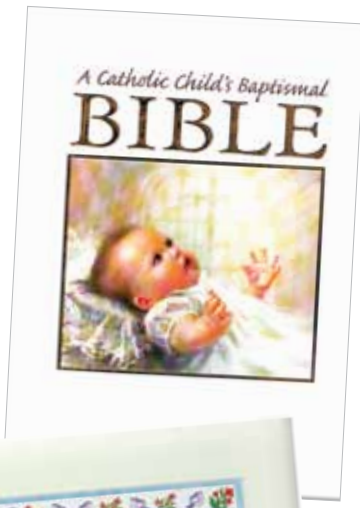
5. BABY'S KEEPSAKE BOX WITH ROSARY

Sweet-looking painted porcelain rosary box featuring a sleeping baby girl or boy. Contains a 3-millimeter bead rosary with a silver crucifix and comes in either pink or blue. \$15 each, Item: 31009 (Girl's); Item: 31008 (Boy's).

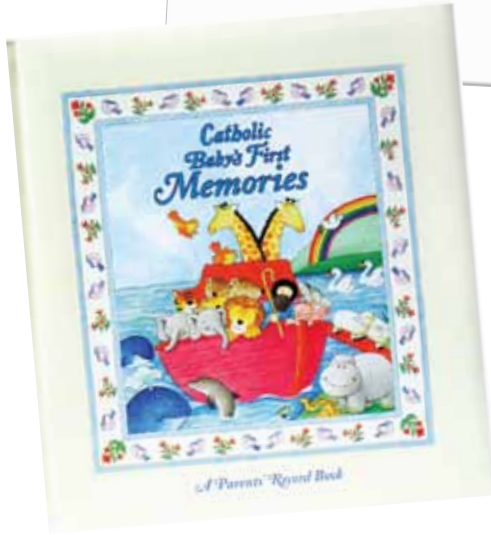
6. PERSONALIZED BAPTISM PLAQUE

"God's Little Angel" white-framed baptism plaque will preserve the memory of the day your baby became Catholic. Included are an oval for a photo insert and a space for the inscription of the child's name and the date of the baptism, which is inscribed above the Our Father prayer. 12 3/4 inches x 10 3/4 inches. \$25 each, Item: 82300 (Boy's blue); Item: 82301 (Girl's pink).

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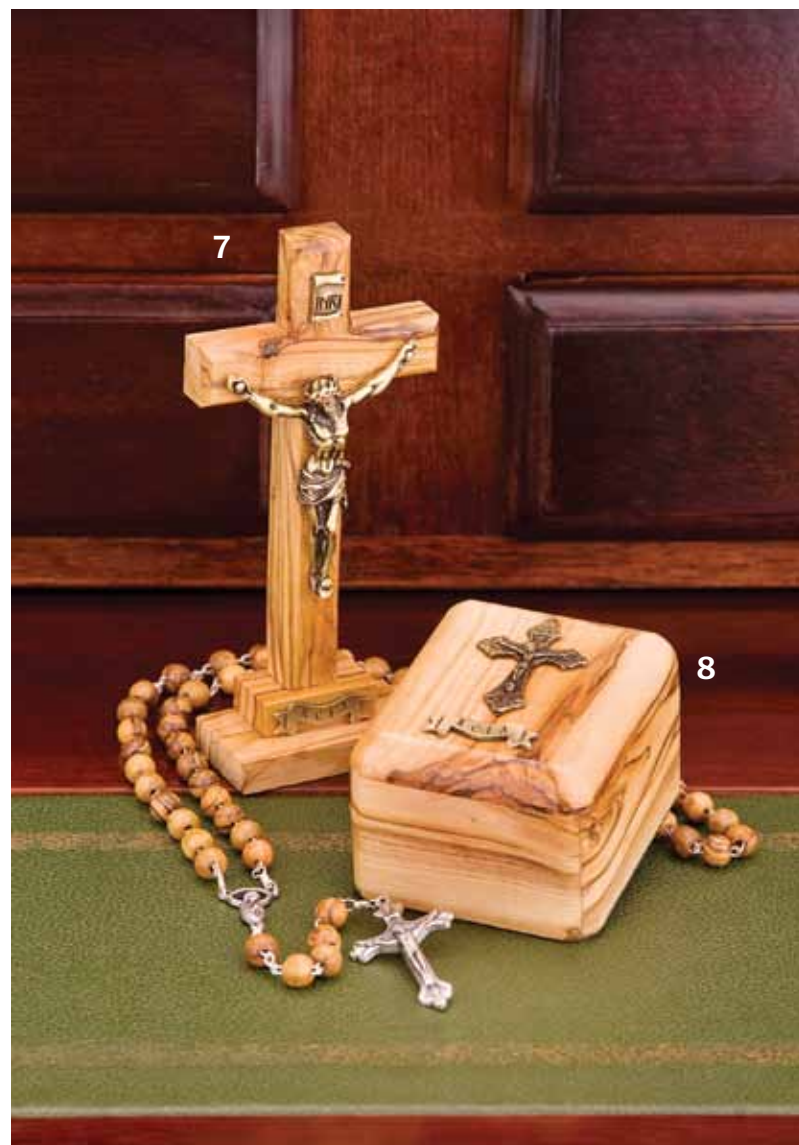
RCIA Gifts

7. RCIA CRUCIFIX ON STAND

Especially for adults entering the Catholic Church, this crucifix is made from olive wood from Jerusalem. The cross holds a pewter corpus with an antique brass finish; on the stand is a banner that reads "RCIA." Measures 5 1/4 inches. \$15, Item: 13RC.

8. RCIA ROSARY AND BOX

From Jerusalem, this rich olive-wood rosary comes in a matching olive-wood rosary box that is topped with a bronze-colored pewter crucifix and a banner that reads "RCIA." Measures 2 3/4 inches x 2 3/4 inches x 1 1/2 inches with 8-millimeter beads. \$23, Item: 49RC.



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