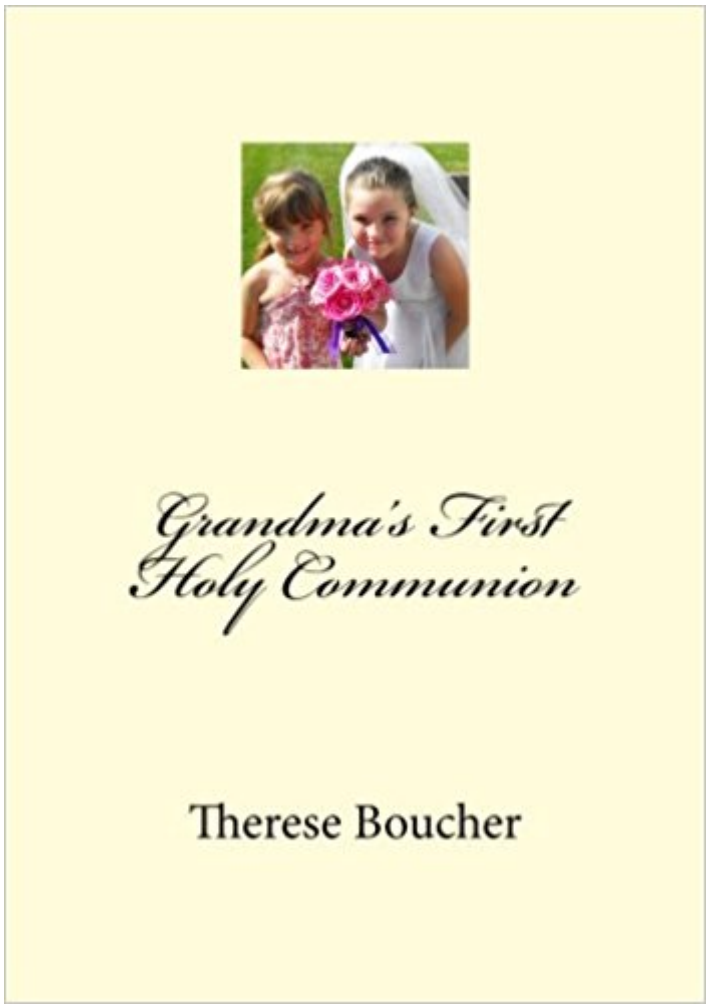
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Grandma's First Holy Communion



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Synopsis

This delightful story is told from a child’s point of view, as two curious girls explore Grandma’s collection of First Holy Communion photos and memorabilia. Their comments are candid and inspiring. Photos of four generations of Aunts, Uncles and Grandparents will inspire both the young reader and his or her adult companion to share their own stories of faith and forge a family connection to the Church.

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Ã Â Grandma’s First Holy Communion had a bumpy start. She was the oldest of three and her mom was eight months pregnant with baby number four. Her parish church was under construction, so Grandma’s First Communion was in a big old, dark cathedral. She was also disappointed about wearing a borrowed dress and standing in line to enter the church during a very chilly rainstorm.
Ã Â Ã Â But something very important happened to her. She was touched by a communion song that asked, "Jesus, my Lord, my God... my dearest king... how can I love thee as I ought?" This same song was also in her tiny prayer book. Not long after that day, she joined the choir in order to keep praying and singing to Jesus. Ã Â Her experience points to something that is true for every family and child, no matter how awful or busy life gets. There is a person we can turn to for help, a person named Jesus who never stops loving us. So please look for Jesus with your child, especially at church, where he is always waiting for us. And let us pray often, "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever."
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Psalm 136:1

What do you remember about your First Holy Communion? What did the church look like? Did you have a party? Did you receive gifts? Did you meet Jesus? And what are your spiritual hopes and dreams for the next generation in your family? This book will help you and your young person give voice to those dreams, as you celebrate First Communion together. The photos and child-friendly text provide a starting point for exploring hints of God’s loving presence in your own family. Reading the book together offers an opportunity to reawaken the riches of your family’s spiritual life, no matter what obstacles to faith you have encountered. For more about responding to the spiritual needs in your loved ones, read Praying for Our Adults Sons and Daughters by John and Therese.

Easy to understand for a young child. The intergenerational focus gives a beautiful history of family being called to Jesus. Great suggestions from pervious generations on how to stay focused on Jesus after first communion. The pictures of the first communion children and the questions at the end, assist the parents to tell the story of their family’s call to Jesus. Great book for children who are preparing for first communion or celebrating the anniversary of their first communion . Also good for the parent to reinforce their call to Jesus.

This book was a pleasant read and very visual, with actual first communion day photographs from the author’s family collection. I especially enjoyed seeing the first communion dresses worn in each generation going back to great-great Grandma. There were some boys in first communion day suits as well. The tone is personal and uplifting and should spark enthusiasm in young readers as they anticipate their own first holy communion day.

What a beautiful story of a families history of First Communions. The story is filled with positive messages about how wonderful your communion day will be, and lets you know, that you will always have Jesus to turn too. Very enjoyable!

Lovely book about the joys of receiving First Holy Communion and the generational ties this sacrament brings. The pictures are great, showing both the fashion changes and the universality of out Catholic faith.

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