

# FIRST EUCHARIST FAMILY PROJECT

## **OPTIONAL**

This family project is a banner to be hung on the end of the pew in which your family will sit at the First Holy Communion Mass. It is optional, but most families enjoy and treasure this project.

The materials needed to make the base of the banner are:

1. 1 pre-cut felt banner approximately 11 X 14
2. 1 piece of yarn
3. 1 straw

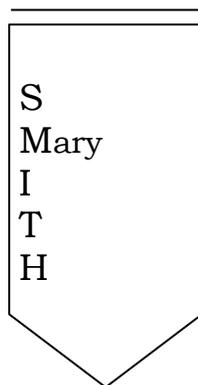
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1. A one inch hem should be sewn at the top of the banner, allowing a straw to be placed within it as mean to hold the banner straight.



It should look like this.

2. You and your child are asked to decorate the banner in a religious manner fit for the church. The **LAST NAME** of the child should be the most prominent feature with the letters at least 1 inch in height. First names may be used if space allows.

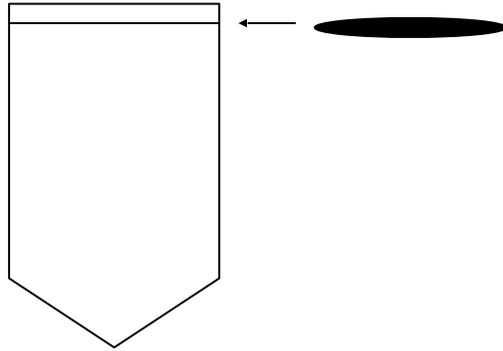


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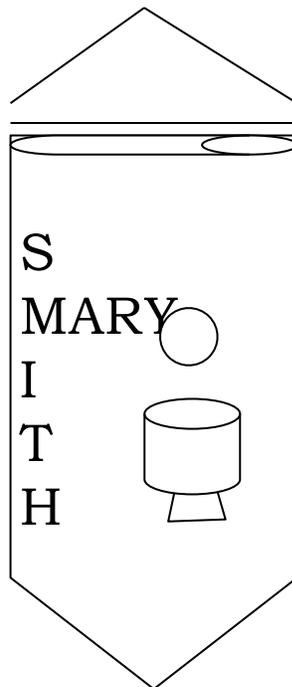
Placement of name/names is **your choice.**

3. Decorate the banner in your own creative manner. Religious symbols such as an angel, cross, host, chalice, praying hands, rosary, and bible are some possible ideas.
4. The decorations may be sewn onto the banner or you may use crafting glue.

5. Any letters may be done in paint, marker, material, or iron-on letters.
6. **Do not make the decorations too heavy;** The banner should hang smoothly.
7. Feed a piece of yarn through the straw to form a hanger.
8. Feed the straw through the top hem of the banner. Tie the yarn ends together and pull the knot around so that it is inside the straw.



9. Banners should be brought to Mass so that they may be hung in place as soon as you arrive for Mass. Your Family Name will already be on the pews for you to know where to place your banner. For those who choose not to do the banner, the name posted on the pew will remain in place.



**ENJOY MAKING YOUR BANNER!**

**Please know it is optional; We do not want anyone stressed by more to do! Much Peace during this most blessed time in you and your child's life.**