



Dear Parent/Carer,

The children in year 3 will be preparing for two sacraments, First Reception of Penance & Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. These classes **will not** be during the school day as in previous years but will now take place on a **Wednesday after school from 3.30pm to 4.30pm**. A full list of dates accompanies this letter.

Your child is invited to prepare for these very important sacraments along with the other children in their class. Please note that if your child does not participate in these classes they **will not** be invited to receive the sacraments with their class in May.

This is a very important step in your child's journey in faith and, as parents, you are expected to play a vital role in helping their understanding of these sacraments. To support you in this there are **five** parents' meetings and a rehearsal meeting. These meetings are a very important part of your child's preparation and your attendance at these will reflect on your commitment and desire to see the spiritual needs of your child and family being fulfilled according to the teaching of the Roman Catholic Church and our Faith.

The first meeting will be on **THURSDAY 3rd OCTOBER in the Parish Centre at 2.00pm or 8.00pm**. This will be an opportunity to meet together to look at the preparation, and **for you to receive dates and information.**

If your child is to prepare and receive their First Holy Communion elsewhere, please let Henry know as soon as possible.

On **SUNDAY 6th OCTOBER** there will be a Mass at **9.00am** to welcome all the First Communion children and families. The children will formally receive their **GOD'S GREATEST GIFT** workbooks during the Mass.

I am attaching an application form, please complete clearly and concisely and **return to the Parish Office by Monday 23rd September.**

If you have any queries please contact us or leave a message on (020) 8578 1363.

Looking forward to meeting and working with you all.

Henry, Miss Coll and Mr Gauci



Dates for Holy Communion Lessons

Please note these lessons will take place after school on a Wednesday from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Pupils should be collected at 4.30pm from the main gate. These lessons are not every Wednesday so please keep a list of the dates available at all times so that children are collected at the correct time.

Wednesday 9th October – Creation
Wednesday 16th October – Creation
Wednesday 30th October – A very special gift
Wednesday 13th November – A very special gift
Wednesday 4th December – Baptism
Wednesday 11th December – Baptism
Wednesday 15th January – God's Word
Wednesday 22nd January – God's Word
Wednesday 29th January – God's Word – Friendship
Wednesday 5th February – Friendship
Wednesday 12th February – Friendship
Wednesday 4th March – Forgiveness
Wednesday 11th March – Forgiveness & Reconciliation
Wednesday 18th March – Forgiveness & Reconciliation
Wednesday 25th March – Forgiveness & Reconciliation
Wednesday 1st April – Peace
Wednesday 22nd April – Peace – Joy
Wednesday 29th April – Joy
Wednesday 6th May – God's greatest gift
Wednesday 13th May – God's greatest gift
Wednesday 3rd June – Our gift to God
Wednesday 10th June – Our gift to God