



## ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, RIVERSTONE

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### Sacramental Program Dates - 2020

Dear Parents

If you have a child who is eligible to make First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or be Confirmed this year please carefully note the dates on the reverse of this letter, and mark your calendar.

Preparation for each sacrament requires a commitment of several weeks. All three sacraments begin with information meetings for parents and your obligation will include attending the information session, helping your child complete their workbook and bringing your child to an Enrolment Mass and **all** sessions. The sessions will be held on consecutive weeks, you may come either Monday or Wednesday.

St John's Parish is blessed to have a strong, enthusiastic and experienced team which includes teachers from St John's School and trained Special Religious Educators. Please be assured that the Sacramental Team will be available to assist you and make it a special time for you and your child.

The parish asks for a contribution/donation of \$30 for each Sacrament.

~~FIRST RECONCILIATION will be on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 11.00am.~~ (Children are eligible for this sacrament when they are in **Year 3 or above** and have been Baptised).

**Children will make their FIRST HOLY COMMUNION at 6 pm Mass on Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> August or 9am Mass on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August.** (Children are eligible to make their First Holy Communion when they are in **Year 4 or above** and have been Baptised and made their First Reconciliation).

**Confirmation will be on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm.** (Children are eligible to be Confirmed when they are in **Year 5 or above** and have been Baptised and made their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion).

I look forward to sharing these special events with you and your children.

God Bless you and your family.

Father Zakaria Gayed  
Parish Priest

**St John's Parish, Riverstone**  
**Revised Dates and Information for Sacraments 2020**  
**As from June 2020**

**First Reconciliation**

Cancelled 2020 due to Covid-19

**First Holy Communion**

Parent Information Meetings Mon 27 July 4pm **OR** Wed 29 July 7pm  
Enrolment Mass Sat 1 Aug 6pm Sun 2 Aug 9am  
Session 1 Mon 3 Aug 4pm Wed 5 Aug 7pm  
Session 2 Mon 10 Aug 4pm Wed 12 Aug 7pm  
Session 3 Mon 17 Aug 4pm Wed 19 Aug 7pm  
First Holy Communion Mass Sat 22 Aug 6pm Sun 23 Aug 9am

**Confirmation**

Parent Information Meetings Mon 19 Oct 4pm **OR** Wed 21 Oct 7pm  
Enrolment Mass Sat 24 Oct 6pm Sun 25 Oct 9am  
Session 1 Mon 26 Oct 4pm Wed 28 Oct 7pm  
Session 2 Mon 2 Nov 4pm Wed 4 Nov 7pm  
Session 3 Mon 9 Nov 4pm Wed 11 Nov 7pm  
Session 4 Mon 16 Nov 4pm Wed 18 Nov 7pm  
Confirmation Mass Tue 24 Nov 7pm

- \*2020 Dates for First Holy Communion and Confirmation will remain the same with hygiene and social-distancing guides in place. Please call the parish office to book your child's place in the sacramental class.
  
- \*2020 Reconciliation was cancelled. All children who missed this sacrament can join the class in Term 2, 2021 (dates to be advised in early 2021). This would mean the 2021 Reconciliation class will contain children from Year 3 and Year 4. Children in Year 4 will be able to complete Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in the same year, 2021.

\*Please contact the parish office Ph 9627 1176 for more information.