



## The Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are pleased to share that we have started to make arrangements for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion which will happen later in the academic year. As you know, this is the next step in your child's spiritual journey and over the year, we can help them to feel fully prepared to receive these special Sacraments and grow ever closer to Jesus Christ.

**First Reconciliation:** Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 at 1pm - Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
**First Holy Communion:** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2025 at 10.30am - Sacred Heart Catholic Church

The preparation for these Sacraments will require commitment from both children and parents. As part of this, Father George, our Parish Priest, asks that children attend Mass weekly. Children will be given an attendance card at the next Family Mass, and are asked to get it signed by a Parish Priest on a weekly basis to show attendance at Mass and commitment to the faith. This is not limited to our Parish Church, but it can be the one that you normally attend for weekend Masses.

This year, our Mass of Commitment for our Reconciliation and Holy Communion candidates will take place on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February** at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Mass begins at **10.30am**. This marks the formal beginning of the preparations and all children should attend.

Parent meetings will be scheduled following the Mass of Commitment and will be held in school on a date to be confirmed. The purpose of the meeting will be to explain to you what is involved in the Sacramental preparations for you and your child and to answer any questions that you may have.

Please complete the reply slip below to confirm that you wish for your child to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion and whether you will be attending the Mass of Commitment in February.

Thank you in advance for supporting your child at this very special time of their spiritual development. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Stonier or Miss Downie. Thank you.

Mr. N Glover  
Principal



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**Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion - Reply slip:** *Please return to school by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent of

\_\_\_\_\_ **do/do not wish** for my child to be enrolled into the Sacramental Programme to prepare them to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion this academic year (*please delete as appropriate*).

I confirm that my child has been baptised as Roman Catholic (*please tick*):

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I **will / will not** be able to attend the Mass of Commitment on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025 (*please delete as appropriate*).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

