



Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to inform you about some exciting changes to our Sacramental Program that will be implemented starting this year. Thank you to those who attended the Sacramental Information Evening earlier this year. I hope this letter confirms your understanding and guides you towards the next steps in your child's Sacramental preparation.

After careful consideration and feedback from our community, we have decided to enhance our Sacramental Program to better serve the needs of our families, parishioners, and team members. We know these changes will continue to provide a meaningful experience for both candidates and their families.

Firstly, there will be a short Information Evening on Wednesday, September 4th, for parents/guardians outlining our preparation program and expected commitments. This is compulsory for those who were unable to attend the meeting held earlier this year. Children do not need to attend this evening.

Preparations for the Sacraments will continue on October 9, 2024, with our Reconciliation Faith Formation Evening. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will then be celebrated on Wednesday, November 13.

In early 2025 we will continue with the preparations for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist (Communion). Our celebrations for these sacraments will occur in early Term 2 before winter sets in.

We are hopeful that these changes will greatly enhance the Sacramental Program experience for everyone involved, and we look forward to embarking on this journey together. If you have any questions or would like more information about the upcoming program, please do not hesitate to contact Tania Dixon or St Mary's Parish on 54821127 (Tues-Thurs, 9am to 1pm).

Please complete the enrolment form provided on the website (PDF version or Google Form). Enrolments close on Sept 20th, 2024.

Thank you for your continued support and participation in our parish community.

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