

ST. MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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24th September 2024

Dear Parents of Year 3 children,

I have now met with Father and can confirm the dates for the Sacramental Programme this year: **Sacrament of Reconciliation will be Thursday 13th March 2025 in church at 6.00pm and the Sacrament of Holy Communion will be on Sunday 22nd June 2025 in church at 3.00pm.**

The Sacramental Programme is for those children in Year 3 who will be making the Sacraments of Reconciliation (First Confession) and First Holy Communion during this school year. **Children need to have been baptised as Catholic before they make the sacraments.**

It is expected that parents and children will attend for both the Sacraments and any other masses/assemblies or meetings invited to, and will commit to preparing your child, along with school, through doing any given activities at home. Your child will follow a special workbook in school and you may be asked to do some activities with them at home. All children will follow these workbooks and lessons, even if they are not making the sacraments, as the key messages are relevant to all children, as they will learn about being loved by God and forgiving and loving each other etc.

Children do have to complete the Sacrament of Reconciliation before they can make their First Holy Communion in the summer.

In the meantime, can I ask you to complete the attached slip indicating whether or not you wish your child to be part of the Sacramental Programme this year.

We look forward to going through the Sacramental Programme with you, your child and the church together.

We ask parents to present their child to begin the Sacramental Programme at a special mass at church on **Sunday 17th November at 11.15am** where they will formally begin the programme.

Can ALL parents please complete the attached slip and return to Mrs Giordani.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Ruane, Father Robert and Mrs Giordani



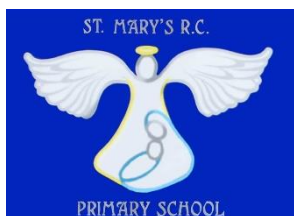
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Please tick one box below:

Childs name.....

- 1) I would like my child to take part in the Sacramental Programme this year, which includes the Sacraments of Reconciliation (First Confession) and First Holy Communion as well as any masses and preparations involved. My child is a Baptised Catholic. ☐
- 2) I do not want my child to be part of the Sacramental programme and make the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. ☐
- 3) My child has not been baptised but I am interested in them taking part in the Sacramental programme and making the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. I would like more information about getting my child baptised. ☐

Signed.....



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