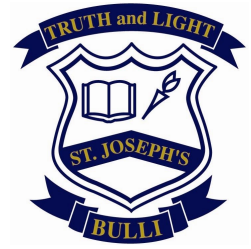


St Joseph's Parish Community *Working Together*



24 July 2020

SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION and FIRST HOLY COMMUNION INFORMATION NOTICE

Dear Parents,

Preparation for both sacraments will take place for St Joseph's Catholic Primary students during their Religious Education lessons.

This year, however, the sacraments will look a little different due the current restrictions imposed on the Church under Public Health (COVID-19 Restrictions on Gathering and Movement) Order (No 4) 2020 under the NSW Public Health Act 2010 and issued by the NSW Minister for Health and Medical Research on 30 June 2020.

St Joseph's Church is currently only allowed to hold a maximum of **50 Worshippers** at any one time and thorough cleaning is required after each use of the church as per Work Safe Australia guidelines.

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be celebrated during the school day in the **School Hall** on **Thursday 27 August** in two time slots **11:30am – 12midday** and then **12:40pm – until completed**.

The **Sacrament of First Holy Communion** will take place over eight Sundays.

Day	Date	Time	Time
Sunday	13 September	8:30am	-
Sunday	20 September	8:30am	5:30pm
Sunday	27 September	8:30am	-
Sunday	4 October	8:30am	5:30pm
Sunday	11 October	8:30am	-
Sunday	1 November	8:30am	5:30pm
Sunday	8 November	8:30am	-
Sunday	15 November	8:30am	5:30pm

A maximum of 5 children will be able to make the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at each mass and bookings will be made via the school office. **Booking information will be provided in the coming weeks.**

We are asking that only **Parents or Carers** attend the Sacrament of First Holy Communion with their child.

There is still the expectation that your child and family attend Mass leading up to the Sacraments, you must ring the **Parish office** (Mon to Thurs 9:30am – 2:30pm) on **4284 3000** to register for the Masses you would like to attend.

SUNDAY MASSES ARE: 8:30am and 5:30pm

WEEKDAY MASSES outside school hours: **Tues 5pm, Wed 5:30pm**