**First Holy Communion 2021**

Greetings of Peace!

Our Sacramental programme for First Holy Communion begins in October 2021.

The Sacrament of First Communion will be celebrated at two special Masses: **4pm on Saturday 6th November and 11 am on Sunday 7th November.** All Catholic children who are in Year 3 or above, and have made the Sacrament of Reconciliation, are eligible.

Children in Years 3 at St Philomena’s will learn about First Communion in their regular Religious Education lessons. Any other children will need to have classes at the Parish Centre. Please phone to make arrangements for these classes.

There will be a **formation session** for your child to attend on Sunday 24th October at 10.30am in the church (following the 9.30am Mass):

There will be a **rehearsal session** for your child to attend on Sunday 31st October at 10.30am in the church (following the 9.30am Mass).

If your child misses either the formation or rehearsal session, please contact the Parish Centre as soon as possible to make alternative arrangements.

Due to the current restrictions on the number of people allowed in the church, we need to take bookings for each of the special Masses. Places at each Mass will be on a ‘first in, first served’ basis. Each family will be able to book up to 4 seats. Some families may want extra seats and we will do our best to include everyone to would like to be there.

Under the current NSW COVID-19 80-percent Roadmap, those who are not fully vaccinated will be allowed to attend.

Please fill out the following enrolment form and return it at the formation session.

I thank you in advance for bringing your children to the Church and may you continue to be the first teachers of faith to them.

In Christ,

Fr Vic Ignacio, MS

Parish Priest

**First Holy Communion Enrolment 2021**

**Child’s Full Name** …………………………….… ………………………………..…

*Surname* *First Name/s*

Date of Birth: ……. / ……. / …….. Date of Baptism: ……. / ……. / ….….

Place of Baptism: ……………………………….. …………………………………….

 *Name of Church* *Suburb/State*

School: ………………………………………… Year level in 2021 …………………..

**Parents (Guardians) Names**

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 *Mother/Guardian* *Father/Guardian*

Address: …………………………………………………………………………………

Telephone: .………………………………………………………………………………

Email: ………………………………………………………………………………………

Preference of Mass 4pm Saturday 6th November

*(Please circle)*

 11am Sunday 7th November

Number of seats requested:

*(Requests for more than 4 seats will be granted if possible)*

We are committed to providing our family’s support and to participate in the preparation for the reception of the Sacrament.

By signing you name below you are agreeing to this commitment.

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*Parent/guardian* *Child*