

St Thomas More Sacramental Programme 2018-2019.
September 2018.



Dear Parents,

Fr. Peter has asked me to inform you of the dates for the Sacramental Programme.
All meetings for the children and their Catechists take place in the Church Hall after the 11am Mass and last for approximately 40 minutes. Meeting for parents will be in church.

Children/Parents must attend all these meetings and the Celebration Masses as part of their preparation for the Sacraments. Please contact Mrs Weekes if, for any reason, your child cannot attend any of these dates. If children do not attend, without a valid reason, their First Holy Communion may be postponed until they have completed the Programme.

Dates for this Programme (2018-2019)-

Sunday 4th November 2018, 11am Mass - Followed by, - first meeting of children and their Catechists, in the Church Hall. Meeting with parents after 11am Mass with Fr Peter. **Parents' meeting will be in Church after Mass - please take your child into the Church Hall to meet with their Catechists and then go back into church.**

Sunday 25th November 2018: 11am Mass, **Sacramental Programme Presentation Mass** for children and their families in the Sacramental Programme. Please bring your child's Baptism candle. **All Sacramental Programme children and parent/s must attend.**

This is the Feast Day of Christ the King. **(No meeting after Mass).**

Sunday 20th January 2019: Second meeting of children and Catechists after 11am Mass/Parent's meeting with Fr Peter in Church.

Sunday 27th January 2019: 11am, Sacramental Programme Family Celebration Mass 'We Celebrate God's Word'.

Sunday 10th March 2019: Third meeting of children and their Catechists after 11am Mass/Parents meet with Fr Peter in Church.

Sunday 14th April 2019, Palm Sunday: 11am, Family Mass for Sacramental Programme, Children's Palm Procession. **(No meeting after Mass).** Dates and times of Holy Week Masses will be given later. You are expected to attend:- Holy Thursday, 'Good Friday', Easter Vigil Mass /or Easter Sunday Morning.

Tuesday 16th April 2019: 6pm in church SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION.

Sunday 19th May 2019: Fourth meeting of children and their Catechists, after 11am Mass/ meeting for parents in church.

Sunday 23rd June 2019: 11am, **SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION. (Children to meet in Church Hall before Mass begins).**

Sunday 14th July 2019: 11am, **'FORWARD IN FAITH'**

Family and Parish celebration Mass followed by a party for the children afterwards, 12pm-1pm, in the Church Hall, **(parent volunteers will be needed to organise this party!)**

Please keep this letter **very** safe.

I will send out **text reminders, (providing I have up to date details!)**, for the meetings/celebrations before each one, but I hope that this notice will help you to plan well in advance, (football, karate, dancing etc... can be rearranged!!!), but our Sacramental Programme dates can't be!

Please fill in the Registration Form (attached) and return it by Monday 15th October 2019. Failure to do so may affect your child's eligibility to be prepared for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in this year's Programme.

The dates will be on the school's website.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs A Weekes, (Sacramental Programme Coordinator).