

# SS Joseph & Swithun Catholic Parish Community

## First Reconciliation Calendar: 2022/23

Sacramental Formation that Lasts a Lifetime!



Growing  
Up  
Catholic

First Reconciliation preparation sessions will all be held in the Upper Room on  
**Tuesdays & Fridays: 3.45 to 5pm. Saturdays 9.30 to 10.45; 11.30 to 12.45**

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Retreat &amp; Rites</u>
<b><u>Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September</u></b> <b><u>10.30am - 3.30pm</u></b> <b><u>starting with 10.00am Mass</u></b>	Parents' Preparation Day & Workshop in St Joseph's Hall	Supporting your child on their Faith Journey Beginning with 10am Mass Preparation Day including Shared Lunch & Workshop with Catechists in Prep Groups
<b><u>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September</u></b> <b><u>9.15 Mass in St Joseph's Church</u></b>	Whole Family	Rite of Enrolment – Called by Name
<b><u>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November</u></b> <b><u>9.15 Mass in St Joseph's Church</u></b>	Whole Family	<b>Signed with the Cross</b> - Liturgical Rite on the way to the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation Parents sign their children with the cross and present them with the gift of a crucifix
<b><u>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November</u></b> <b><u>9.15 Mass in St Joseph's Church</u></b>	Whole Family	<b>Rite of Illumination</b> - Liturgical Rite on the way to the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation Parents relight and present their child's baptismal candles to their children Liturgical Rite on the way to the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation
<u>Preparation Session Dates</u>	<u>Gospel</u>	<u>Focus</u>
<b>Session 1</b> - Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> September Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> September / Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> September	Matthew 4: 18-20	God Chooses Me
<b>Session 2</b> - Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> September Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> September / Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> October	John 14: 21	I Grow Closer to Jesus
<b>Session 3</b> - Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> October Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> October / Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> October	Luke 10: 25-28	I Learn About Rules of Love
<b>Half Term 17<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022</b>		
<b>Session 4</b> - Tues 1 <sup>st</sup> November Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> November / Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Matthew 18: 21-22	I Disobey the Rules Sometimes
<b>Session 5</b> - Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> November Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> November / Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Matthew 19: 13-15	Being Sorry: Asking Forgiveness
<b>Session 6</b> - Tues 15 <sup>th</sup> November Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> November / Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> November	1 Corinthians 2:9	Reconciliation: Let's Celebrate
<b><u>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November</u></b> <b><u>7.30 - 8.45pm in Parish Hall</u></b>	Parents Review Evening	Reviewing the Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>FIRST RECONCILIATION WILL BE CELEBRATED IN ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH</b> <b>On Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>11.00am for Tuesday &amp; Friday Groups / 2.30pm for Saturday Groups</b>		

*Please enter all dates into your home diaries, especially the Parents' Preparation and Review evenings.*

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<p><b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023 Parents Meeting</b> <b>7.30 – 8.45pm in St Joseph’s Hall</b></p>		<p><b>Celebrating the Eucharist</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b> <b>9.15am Mass for First Holy Communion Families</b></p>		<p><b>Whole Family</b></p>
<p><b>First Holy Communion preparation sessions will be held in the Upper Room on</b> <b>Tuesdays &amp; Fridays: 3.45 to 5pm. Saturdays 9.30 to 10.45; 11.30 to 12.45</b></p>		
<p><b>Dates</b></p>	<p><b>Gospel</b></p>	<p><b>Focus</b></p>
<p><b>Session 1</b> - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January Fri 20<sup>th</sup> &amp; Sat 21<sup>st</sup> January</p>	<p>Mark 6:30-44</p>	<p><b>We Gather Together</b></p>
<p><b>Session 2</b> - Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January Fri 27<sup>th</sup> &amp; Sat 28<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>Luke 10:38-42</p>	<p>We Listen to the Readings &amp; the Homily</p>
<p><b>Session 3</b> - Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; Sat 4<sup>th</sup> February</p>	<p>Mark 12:41-44</p>	<p>We Offer Ourselves and All We Have</p>
<p><b>Half term 13<sup>th</sup>– 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023. (Ash Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February)</b></p>		
<p><b>Session 4</b> - Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; Sat 4<sup>th</sup> March</p>	<p>Luke 22:7-20</p>	<p>We Pray in Thanksgiving</p>
<p><b>Session 5</b> - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March Fri 10<sup>-th</sup> &amp; Sat 11<sup>th</sup> March</p>	<p>John 10:11-14</p>	<p>We Receive Holy Communion</p>
<p><b>Session 6</b> - Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March Fri 17<sup>th</sup> &amp; Sat 18<sup>th</sup> March</p>	<p>John 22:1-17</p>	<p>A Prayer to Accept God’s Grace And to Change the World Through Love!</p>
<p>Lent Parish Reconciliation ??? March 8pm - 9pm (TBC)</p>		
<p><b>Parents’ Meeting - Practical Planning for the Celebration of First Holy Communion</b> <b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm St Joseph’s Hall</b></p>		
<p><b>Holy Week</b> 2<sup>nd</sup> April – 8<sup>th</sup> April</p>	<p><b>Holy Thursday</b> 6<sup>th</sup> April 8pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper</p>	<p><b>Good Friday</b> 7<sup>th</sup> April 9am Stations of the Cross for Children</p>
<p><b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 10.30-11.30 review session followed by Reconciliation at 11.30am (After 10am Mass)</b></p>		
<p><b>Rehearsals for First Holy Communion In the Church</b></p>	<p>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 6 -7pm rehearsal for Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 11am Mass Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 7- 8pm rehearsal for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May Masses Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 6 -7pm rehearsal for Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 11am Mass Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 7- 8pm rehearsal for Sunday 14<sup>h</sup> May Masses</p>	

**Dates for First Holy Communion 2023**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 11am Mass & Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 9.15 & 11am Mass  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 11am Mass & Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 9.15 & 11am Mass

**Post First Holy Communion Celebration – One Parish Mass 11am Sunday ??? June 2023-TBC**