

Ready the Way – Sacramental Programme

Children and their families will attend 10am Mass together. Children and Parents/Guardian together will process behind the candle out of the church after Communion..

Sacrament of Confirmation Timetable

Date	Session / Gospel Reading	Activity Book Pages
30th April	Introduction Session and Shared Food Good Shepherd Sunday Belonging to the flock of the church. Bring food to share beside the church gathering room	A9/10 Saint Poster
7th May	Preparation for Confirmation Gospel: I am the truth and the life - John 14:1-12	A4 & A7 W11
14th may	Preparation for Confirmation Gospel: Holy Spirit is our Helper – John 14:15-21	A3 & A6 W7 & W8
21st May	Preparation for Confirmation Gospel: Ascension – Our Mission to carry on the church – Matthew 28:16-20	A2 & A8 W9
28th May	Preparation for Confirmation Pentecost Sunday (Practice run of Confirmation)	A5 & A11 W3 7 W4
1st June	Confirmation – 6pm Thursday Night	

Sacrament of Eucharist Timetable

Date	Session / Gospel Reading	Activity Pages
11th June	Preparation for Eucharist Gospel: I am the living bread - Corpus Christi – John 6:51-58	A15 W 5 & W16
18th June	Preparation for Eucharist Gospel: 12 Apostles – Matthew 9:36-10:8	W 10 & Draw and name apostles
25th June	Preparation for Eucharist Gospel: Don't be afraid – Matthew 10:26-33	A13 W15
1st – 16th July – School Holidays		
23rd July	Preparation for Eucharist Gospel: Parables	W12
30th July	Preparation for Eucharist Gospel: Parable – Treasure in a field	W14
6th August	Preparation for Eucharist Gospel: Transfiguration – This is my beloved Son	A14 W13
13th August	First Holy Communion Sunday – 10am Mass	

Sacrament of Reconciliation Timetable

Date	Session / Gospel Reading	Activity Pages
3rd September	Preparation for Reconciliation Gospel: Jesus predicts his Passion – Take up your cross and follow me Matthew 16:21-27	A2 & A3 W2
10th September	Preparation for Reconciliation Gospel: Reconciling between people – Matthew 18:15-20	A6 W3
17th September	Preparation for Reconciliation Gospel: How many time must I forgive – 18:21-35	A4 & A5 W4
21st September	Reconciliation - 6pm Thursday Night	

Kaupapa for the Ready the Way: Whakareritia te Ara

1. It is primarily a Conversion based process - not content based.
2. Every Sunday we gather at 10am Mass to listen to the gospel proclaimed.
3. The session that is held after Mass is based around the gospel or reading from the Sunday readings. Teachings flow from that.
4. It is very important to be present to hear the gospel proclaimed and to link with the faith community of Saint Francis Xavier.
5. Parents, family members and supporters, you are a very important part of the process of teaching and preparing your child. You will be with them at every step of the way.
6. The process takes as long as it needs to. Your child will receive the Sacraments when they are ready and when we see that there is conversion happening in them.
7. Some will receive the Sacraments on the set dates for this programme, some next year, or at another suitable time of the year which we agree upon.
8. Parents, please be involved in the faith life of your child outside the classes, help them with questions, prayers, and understanding.

You will be a model to them.

Important Notes

- You and your child are required to attend every lesson and complete both the Reconciliation and Belonging books over the course of the programme. Please bring these to every session.
- Please make sure your child has chosen a Saint they relate to and a sponsor who is over 18 and is a practicing Catholic.