

# 2024 Ready the Way – Sacramental Programme

Children and their families will attend 10 am 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
12th May	<b>Introduction Session and Shared Food</b> Ascension Gospel Mk 16 15-20 (I am with you until the end of time. The promise of God. The unbreakable promise. Bring food to share to St Joseph's Room.	A9/10 Saint Poster
19th May	<b>Preparation for Confirmation</b> Pentecost Sunday. Jn 15:26,27, Jn 16:12-15 The gift of the Divine life for us to receive.	A2 my baptism A7&A8 Belonging W9
26th May	<b>Preparation for Confirmation</b> The Most Holy Trinity Matt 28 16-20 the promise of knowing God through Jesus. Sons and daughters of the Father.	A3 prayer A4 Coming to Mass W7 & W8
9th June	<b>Preparation for Confirmation</b> The Body and Blood of Christ. <b>Mk 14 12-16 22-26</b> This is my body this is my blood, the promise of God life in us.	A5 & A6 W3
16th June	<b>Preparation for Confirmation</b> (Practice run of Confirmation)	
<b>Confirmation Night – Monday 17 June 6pm</b>		

## School Holidays

## Sacrament of Reconciliation Timetable

Date	Session / Gospel Reading	Activity Pages
28th July	<b>Preparation for Reconciliation</b> Jn 6:1-15 Feeding us, God has visited us. Grandparents and the elderly models of faith for us. (World day for them)	A2 & A3 W2
4th August	<b>Preparation for Reconciliation</b> Whoever comes to me will never be hungry. John 6:24-35	A6 W3
11th August	<b>Preparation for Reconciliation</b> I am the living bread come down from Heaven. Taste and see the goodness of God. John 6: 41-51	A4 & A5 W4
14th August	<b>Reconciliation – 6 pm Wednesday Night</b>	

## Sacrament of Eucharist Timetable

Date	Session / Gospel Reading	Activity Pages
18th August	<b>Preparation for Eucharist</b> My flesh is real food my blood is real drink. John 6:51-58	A12 W5 & W16
25th August	<b>Preparation for Eucharist</b> Lord to whom shall we go you have the words of everlasting	A13 W15
1st September	<b>Preparation for Eucharist</b> Be doers of the word...Mk 7 1-18 World Day of Prayer for creation.	A14 W13
8th September	<b>Preparation for Eucharist</b> Jesus preached the Good news, healing Mark 7:31=37	A11 W10
15th September	<b>Preparation for Eucharist – My first Holy Communion/Order of the Mass</b> Gospel You are the Christ the son of the Living God. Mk 8 27-25	A15 & A16 W12
22nd September	<b>First Holy Communion Sunday – 10 am Mass</b>	

### 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 10 am 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.
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