



2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2022

To the families of Year 4 children,

### Proof of Baptism

If you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion, we require proof of your child's Baptism. Please complete the form below and send a photocopy of your child's Baptism certificate into school, marked for the attention of Mrs McDine.

### First Holy Communion Preparation Sessions

The First Holy Communion sessions organised to help support your children through their sacramental preparation, in Mr Bonnar and Mrs Scott's Year 4 classes, will begin on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April**. These will be led by Mr Bonnar and Mrs Scott.

These will take place after school from 3:30pm – 4:30pm on the following days:

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May

Children will be given a cold drink after school, but if you would like them to have an extra snack please feel free to send one in with them.

### First Holy Communion Photographs

As we have done in previous years, the photographer will take your child's photograph both individually and as a class in church after your child has made their First Holy Communion.

The **photographer** has been booked for **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 9.00am** in **St. John Vianney church**. **Both classes of children who have made their First Holy Communion in May will have their photograph taken on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June.**

The children will then return to school for their First Holy Communion party day. They will need to wear their First Holy Communion clothes on the morning of the photographs, please drop them off straight to church, not at school. They can bring a change of clothes in with them and after their photographs they can wear their own clothes to go back to school in and enjoy a day of celebration.

### First Holy Communion Mass Dates

The children in Mr Bonnar's class will make their First Holy Communion at 10.00am Mass on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2022.**

The children in Mrs Scott's class will make their First Holy Communion at 10.00am Mass on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2022.

Your child will be given their First Holy Communion medal to wear and boys will also be given their sash to wear on the Friday before they make their First Holy Communion but the boys **MUST** return their sash to school on the **Monday** so that it can be cleaned and prepared ready for the next group.

Below is the approved dress code, as agreed by Fr Martin, to support you in your choice of clothes for the children making their First Holy Communion.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DRESS CODE FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>GIRLS</u></b> a white dress, white socks, white shoes. Veils are optional.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>BOYS</u></b> dark grey trousers, white long-sleeved <b>plain</b> shirt, black shoes, plain red tie available from Pauline Books (St Mary's Cathedral Bookshop) or online. Red sashes for the boys are provided by school and are given out on the Friday before the Saturday Mass.</p>
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I will keep you updated throughout the term of any additional information.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you, once again, for your continued support of our school?

With my very best wishes,

*A D Thorpe*

Mrs A D Thorpe  
Head teacher

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I wish for my child \_\_\_\_\_ in Mr Bonnar/Mrs Scott's

Y4 class to make their First Holy Communion in May and I enclose proof of Baptism.

Signed: .....