

*St Joseph's Primary
Primary School*

*First Communion
St Bridget's Parish
Saturday 18h May 2019*

Final Arrangements



As we approach the final week before the children's First Communion Day, I hope your preparations are going well for Saturday 18th May.

Communion

The Sacrament will be conferred by Father Douglas.

The children are preparing to receive Holy Communion in their hand. You can help your child practise this at home.

Your parish communities will be delighted to see the children at the Thanksgiving Mass on Sunday 19th May at 12pm wearing their First Communion clothes. The children will attend the Communion breakfast at St Joseph's Parish Church Hall after the 12pm Mass. Invitations have been emailed to all parents with the necessary details.

Seating

At 12pm Mass the **first 2 rows** will be reserved for the **pupils** receiving First Communion. These will be labelled with your child's name.

The rows behind the children will be reserved for **parents and siblings**. Extended family members will be able to sit anywhere else in the church.

We would ask that everyone is seated ten minutes before the start of Mass.

Certificates

Certificates will be presented to the children at the P4 Stage Mass on Wednesday 5th June at 2.15pm. Parents are invited to join us.

Photographs

A group photograph will be taken at the end of Mass. We would ask that **at the end of the Mass, all parents and family members remain seated** to allow us to assemble the children on the altar and to allow the photographer space to set up and take group photographs. After he has taken these, we will then invite parents and family to come forward and take photographs.

Because of the solemnity of the occasion, family and friends are asked **not to take photographs or recordings during the ceremony.**

We look forward to a very spiritually rewarding occasion for all concerned.