**The immaculate Conception News for last May’s First Communicants**

From new lockdown this week its clear were not going back to 'normal' soon. We need to bite the bullet on First Communions before the winter!  We'll celebrate on a weekend to allow families to have some kind of celebration at home. We will need to observe restrictions (3 guests per child, track & trace, masks/face coverings, hand sanitising; no group photographs or singing) Restrictions MAY ease Sept 14th but we presume not, for the moment. To keep 'friendship' groups together, we'll celebrate by school. New rules means teachers/school staff can't attend but school will be represented. We propose to livestream but ALL parents at each Mass must agree to this.

**Saturday October 3rd 11am & 2pm**   
**St Blanes (20 children)**  
***(Negotiate preferred time with me)***   
**Sunday October 4th; 2pm**   
**St Marys (12 children)**  
**Sunday October 11th; 2pm**  
**Children at other schools)**

St Blanes on Saturday because we need 2 extra Masses (+ Vigil). On Sunday I already have 3 Mass so one extra for St Marys. We've little margin for changes in arrangements given our limit of 50 in the church. I beg your patience as we try to make this a memorable day for the children in these odd times!

Fr Jim