

# PRIMARY 4 & 7 SACRAMENTS



**Parents' Meeting  
6<sup>th</sup> December 2016**

# **Sacraments**

Baptism

Reconciliation (P4)

First Holy Communion (P4)

Confirmation (P7)

# Dates

## **Mass of Commitment and Enrolment**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 10am St James' Church

-P4 and P7 children and parents to attend.

-P7 should have chosen a sponsor who CANNOT be a parent and must be a Catholic.

## **Reconciliation**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at 7pm St James' Church

## **First Holy Communion**

Saturday 6th May 2017 at 10am St James' Church

## **Confirmation**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 7pm St Mirin's Cathedral



# RECONCILIATION

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At the start of a Reconciliation service we think carefully about what we have done wrong or could have done better...

In a Reconciliation service we are invited to talk to a priest and "confess" what we have done wrong.....

In a Reconciliation service we are invited to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation when we are told by the priest that God loves us and forgives our sins....

In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we are given some prayers or a "penance" to do by the priest so we can show we mean to change in the future and do better...

# RECONCILIATION

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- In St James' Church - with pupils from St Fergus'
- Pupils sit together as a class
- Parents sit behind the pupils
- All pupils wear full school uniform (shirt and tie)
- Act of Sorrow
- Books used in school

# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

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The sacrament of the Eucharist is also known as Holy Communion.

Children prepare for their Holy Communion in school, at home and in church but the sacrament takes place in church.

At Holy Communion children receive the Body of Christ for the first time.

Christians believe that the bread and wine turns into the body and blood of Jesus. By taking part in the Eucharist each Sunday, Christians are doing as Jesus asked them to at the last supper. Mass at 10am - Children's Liturgy



# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- In St James' Church on Saturday
- Pupils sit together as a class with staff and parents/family behind. There will be seats allocated to families.
- All pupils wear Albs supplied by the church. These Albs are worn for the mass. Each Alb costs £5 and can be collected from the school the week before. The alb is given back at the end of mass.
- We ask that no gloves are worn

# CONFIRMATION

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Receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit  
wisdom, knowledge and  
understanding...

Involves Home, School and Parish.  
Best way to help your child is by  
taking them along to mass.

Confirming their journey of Faith  
in the Catholic Church

Sponsor - who should be a  
practising confirmed catholic (not  
a parent and must be 16yrs+).  
Sometimes this is a God Parent.

Choose a Confirmation Name - do  
that in school with teacher but  
please talk to children about this.



# CONFIRMATION

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- Held in St Mirin's Cathedral
- Children wear School Uniform and will have a badge to wear displaying their name and their chosen Saint's name.
- Children should be in hall for 6.30pm with their sponsor. Everyone else should go into the Cathedral.
- Class photographs will be taken at the end by a hired photographer. Given as a gift from the school.
- Other schools will make their confirmation on the same evening so very busy. Parking....

# WHAT WILL HAPPEN NOW...

- After Christmas pupils in Primary 4 will be working with Miss McDermott and Mrs Hillier to learn all about their Sacraments.
- P7 will be working with Miss Sheridan.
- Workbooks will go between school and home.
- Pupils will attend mass through the school calendar.
- Fr Jude celebrates mass every Sunday at 10am in the St James's Church, Greenock Road.
- Children's liturgy at 10am mass (Mrs McCabe)

# QUESTIONS?

