



## First Communion Preparation Programme

17/01/2020

Dear Parents,

On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> January we will celebrate the next Mass in our parish programme preparing for First Holy Communion. You and the family are invited to bring your child to **10.30AM FAMILY MASS IN HOLY CROSS CHURCH, DUNDRUM.**

The focus of the January BRIDGE Newsletter is Baptism. The first time we make a connection with God, the first time He called us was at our Baptism. Through our Baptism, we belong to God. We live out our Baptism in all that we pass onto our children. It would be great if you could share some memories of your child's baptism with them and help them to answer the 'Do you Know . . .' questions from this month's focus, a bit of homework for these January evenings!



### REMINDER OF SOME DATES FOR THE NEW DIARY:

#### PREPARATION PROGRAMME – SUNDAY

(REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE IN PASTORAL CENTRE AFTER EACH MASS)

**Families go to Mass in their own Parish on other Sunday's**

*LENT BEGINS 26TH FEBRUARY*

**26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

**10.30AM**

**10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

**10.30AM**

**29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

**10.30AM**

**26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**10.30AM**

**FINAL CELEBRATION 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 10.30AM**

Dear Boys and Girls, In the BRIDGE newsletter you can read a little about **First Reconciliation.**

**RECONCILIATION** is a new word for us, it means '**WE BECOME FRIENDS AGAIN**'. As part of your First Reconciliation, you will be able to tell God that you are sorry for the times when you didn't live as Jesus asked us to, and God will help us to try harder. We can learn **our Act of Sorrow**, to help us prepare.

The adults might call our First Reconciliation, our 'First Confession'. In preparing for this Celebration of God's Love you will be hearing a great story about Zacchaeus. We will learn some new songs and prayers. **Our Sacrament of First Reconciliation will be a celebration of how much God and our Family love us. It will be a very special Occasion**



### Dates for First Reconciliation in Holy Cross: **Tuesday 25th Feb. Our Lady's Grove - 6pm**

Monday 9th March 6.30pm Taney RC B.E.T.N.S & Gaelscoil na Fuinseoige TBC

We hope that you know there is always a welcome in Holy Cross Parish for you. You are very welcome to become involved in our 10.30am Family Mass or to join our new Children's Mass Choir.

We look forward to celebrating this special year of growing in faith with you and your family.

Yours Sincerely,

Fr. John Bracken,

Annette Farrell

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