

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

2021

SACRED HEART PARISH, TOOWOOMBA (cnr. North/Tor Sts.)

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Welcome to the Sacred Heart Parish Sacramental Program. We hope to support you as much as possible as you prepare your child/children to receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion. During the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism, you were asked if you were prepared to accept the responsibility of bringing up your children in the practice of faith. Preparation and active participation in the Sacraments are very important to the spiritual journey of your child. We do expect that you are committed to the preparation and **attend ALL Sunday Masses and succeeding classes** with your child.

Reconciliation Program Schedule				
Date	Day	Time	Venue	Activity
19 February	Friday	6pm	SHPS Staff Meeting Room	Parent Info Night
21 February	Sunday	3pm	Sacred Heart Church	Commitment Mass
21 Feb	Sunday	3:40pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 1
28 Feb	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 2
7 March	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 3
14 March	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 4
21 March	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 5 / Practice
22 March	Monday	6pm	Sacred Heart Church	First Reconciliation

SHPS – Sacred Heart Primary School

*Tentative Confirmation Program Schedule (Term 2)				
Date	Day	Time	Venue	Activity
13 May	Thursday	5:30pm	SHPS Staff Meeting Room	Parent Info Night
16 May	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 1
23 May	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 2
30 May	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 3
6 June	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 4
13 June	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 5 and Practice for Confirmation
14 June	Monday	7pm	Sacred Heart Church	Confirmation, with Bishop McGuckin

SHPS – Sacred Heart Primary School

*Tentative First Holy Communion Program Schedule (Term 3)				
Date	Day	Time	Venue	Activity
1 August	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 1
8 August	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 2
15 August	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 3
22 August	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 4
29 August	Sunday	3:30pm	Sacred Heart Church	Lesson 5 and Practice for FHC
5 September	Sunday	11am	Sacred Heart Church	First Holy Communion

*There may be some changes to these schedules. You will get the finalised dates before the end of the previous sacrament.

Homework Tasks: Some short tasks may be given at the end of a class as well as things to think about and discuss at home.

Photo: The Sacramental Team can take a photo of your child, if you allow it, for the "photo display banner" inside the church. Alternatively, you can provide the parish with a 5X7" photo [child only] for the banner.

Fee: There is a fee of **\$25.00** per child for **every sacrament** that your child will attend. The fee covers workbooks, certificates, any additional photocopying, stationary supplies and gifts. You can pay the fee for all three

sacraments one-time, or just for the current sacrament at every start of the term.

What to Bring: Your child is asked to please bring along his/her own pencil case/pens and workbook during the preparatory sessions.

Requirements: Kindly bring the completed Registration Form, \$25 and a copy of the Baptismal Certificate in the first session of the preparatory lessons – **21 February 2021** (if you have not done so tonight).

Do note that absence from any of the classes may hinder your child receiving the Sacrament in 2021. Should a situation arise that your child cannot come to a session, please inform the catechist/s immediately.

Catechists' Contact Numbers:

Emilie Yap – 0420 542 508

James Wren – 0458 728 862

Therese Swain – 0438 303 783

Role & Expectation of the Parent:

As primary educators of their children, parents are required to:

- Nurture the gift of the Catholic faith.
- Take an active part in the child's spiritual formation.
- Provide the help and example of their child/children's need to live a Christian life.
- Pray with their children and see that they attend Mass each Sunday.
- Attend commitment Masses and Sacrament preparatory sessions.
- Present their child for the reception of the Sacraments.
- Take interest in your child's activities. Encourage them to discuss what they have learnt and answer any queries they may have.
- Inform the Catechist/s if your child/children are unable to attend a class
- ***Continue with the child's spiritual formation even after the Sacramental Program has been completed.***

Preparation for Confirmation: Please prepare a confirmation name (usually a saint) for your child. Please submit the name at the commencement of the Confirmation preparatory sessions on *13 May* or earlier. This will enable the Sacramental Team to order beforehand gifts particular to their saint/confirmation name.

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Please fill in this form and return to Catechist.

Child: _____

Permission to Use Photographic Images:

If photographs of your child are taken during the ceremony, would you agree to those photographs being published on the Website/Bulletin Board and/or any parish publication:

YES NO

Parent's Commitment:

I will fully support my child's preparation for the Sacraments by living out my life according to the teachings of the Catholic Church in general and in particular by bringing my child every Sunday to Mass and to the preparatory sessions. I understand all the expectations of Sacred Heart Parish's Sacramental Program and agree to abide by them. I consider that my child's/children's general faith formation and level of maturity is sufficient to enroll in the Parish's Sacramental Program.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Name: _____