



2020 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

A LETTER FROM FATHER CHRIS RYAN MGL

Dear Parents/Carers,

There will be a **Parents' Information Evening** at which we will outline the program to prepare the children who will be receiving their **First Holy Communion** (the children must be in year 3 or older).

This will then be followed by four gatherings within a four week period. **I must stress the importance of at least one parent accompanying their child at all of the meetings.** The meetings will be held at Saint Declan's Church, 92 Peshurst St, Peshurst.

Please note *that if you wish your child to receive the Sacrament of Communion they must have already received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If they have not, please email childrens.sacraments@stdeclansparish.org as soon as possible so we can make arrangements.*

The dates are as follows:

1. **Parent Information Evening: Tuesday 7 April at 7pm**
(Children **need not attend** this night but may do so if there are child-minding issues)
 2. **Welcome Masses Saturday/Sunday 9-10 May**
(6pm vigil, 7am, 9am, 11am, or 6pm)
 3. Lesson 1: Tuesday May 12 at 7pm
 4. Lesson 2: Tuesday May 19 at 7pm
 5. Lesson 3: Tuesday May 26 at 7pm
 6. Lesson 4: Tuesday June 2 at 7pm
- At least one parent must attend each meeting with their child.*
7. Reconciliation Tuesday June 9 between 4:30 – 5pm
 8. Rehearsal: Thursday, June 11 or Friday, June 12 (depending on Mass time)
 9. First Communion: four Masses to choose from on the weekend of:
 - 13 June 2019 – 6pm Mass
 - 14 June 2019 – 9am Mass
 - 14 June 2019 – 11am Mass
 - 14 June 2019 – 2pm Mass

If your child was NOT baptised here or if they received the Sacrament of Reconciliation at another parish please email a copy of his/her baptismal certificate to childrens.sacraments@stdeclansparish.org

Please note that there is a new enrolment form in 2020. You can enroll by clicking this [link](#)

The link is also available from the parish website (www.stdeclanspeshurst.org).

It is important to come to the Parents' Information Evening to get all the details about the program.

I look forward to meeting in April and continuing our journey together. If there are any issues coming out of this letter that you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me at the parish office.

With every blessing,

Fr Chris Ryan MGL
Parish Priest