

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

AT

ST. THERESE PARISH,
DENISTONE

2022





Dear Parents,

May the Lord be with you all! The whole world has been going through difficult times, due to the pandemic and we all have been affected personally. I wish and pray that you are all well.

The life of the Church was also disrupted during these times. Churches closed for months at a time, restrictions in the number of people who could attend church, weddings cancelled, funerals with only 10 people allowed in, first sacraments postponed, masks, QR codes, cleaning pews, etc. After more than 2 years, it seems to me that things are now easing. Hopefully this will be the beginning of the end of the pandemic.

In our parish, we did everything we possibly could to make sure everybody was safe and continue to share our faith. Till today there has not been a Covid19 reported case in our parish. And that is a great testimony from the people of St Therese, who did their best to keep our Church open.

Our parish also used the internet to keep reaching out to people, through live-streaming masses and the parish website. We will continue of course to support our parish children, teaching them the faith and keep feeding the community with the love of God through the sacraments.

This purpose of this 2022 booklet is to make sure the love of God continues to reach everybody especially the new generations and help them to believe in the risen Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. And we will do this through the sacraments of initiation we celebrate every year.

Here you will find all the session (lessons) dates, times and celebrations that relate to this year's Sacramental Programme. We know this will help you to prepare in advance for the year, so please make sure you these important dates are a priority for your family; because they are very significant steps in the Christian life of your children. We certainly want those children to share in the life of God and his graces in the Sacraments of the Church as they help us on our journey towards the kingdom of God; where we all hope to receive eternal life.

Parents, you have a great responsibility toward your children in this path of faith. You are responsible to make sure, they are fed in the Eucharist at Mass every Sunday, be reconciled with God and with brothers and sisters in confession and that the Spirit of God dwells in their hearts through Confirmation, the same Spirit who rose Jesus from the dead. The Holy Spirit will help them to do good deeds in the Church and the world.

It is critical for Christian growth in families that you feed this faith by providing opportunities to your children at home and at church. Please use this opportunity to practise your faith more, in this way your children may remain in this our faith. Please use your arsenal of spiritual tools to make sure your home become a good Christian place especially through praying, saying grace before meals or other special times, thanking God for the blessings of each day, praying for the sick and needy, etc.

Only in Christian family living and parish living will children be able to find real hope for now and the future. Therefore, I urge you to practise all these in your home and in the church. And provide and attend to all the lessons, sessions and sacraments your children will receive throughout these primary years. Hopefully this will place a foundation for the faith in later years.

Blessings from Fr Roberto

RECONCILIATION FOR YEAR 3

(last year's students from Yr 2 as Reconciliation was postponed)

PROGRAM OF PREPARATION

Applications to enrol your child in the First Reconciliation Programme will be available from Father Roberto at the Parent Information Night on the 9TH March.



- A. Parent Information Night will be held on **WEDNESDAY the 9th March at 7.30pm** in St. Therese Church.
Please DO NOT BRING your children with you.
- B. Candidate & Parent attend Presentation Mass: Candidate with parent(s) should attend **Saturday 12th March at 6pm Vigil Mass** or **Sunday 13th March at 8am or 10am Masses.**
- C. Parent & Children Sessions of Instruction: Will be held on **WEDNESDAYS on 16th, 23rd and 30th March** in the St Therese Church commencing at **7pm sharp.**

All THREE sessions are COMPULSORY and should run for approximately 50 minutes.

- D. Day of FIRST CONFESSION:

**Friday 1ST April 2022 from 4pm to 7pm
at St Therese, Denistone.**

Please note: Please complete the application and lodge it at the presbytery office or leave it in the presbytery mailbox: *8 Inkerman Rd, Denistone.* If you are new to St Therese Parish, please attach a copy of their Baptism Certificate. Ensure that all attachments to your application are included.

Late enrolments for the Programs will NOT be accepted and will have to wait till 2023.

Participation in the **Reconciliation Program of Preparation** costs \$40 and is payable when lodging the application with the parish office.

FIRST EUCHARIST FOR YEAR 3

PROGRAM OF PREPARATION



Applications to enrol your child in the First Eucharist Programme will be available from Father Roberto at the Parent Information Night on the **4th May**.

- A. Parent Information Night will be held on **WEDNESDAY the 4th May at 7.30pm** in St Therese Church.
Please DO NOT BRING your children with you.
- B. Candidate & Parent attend Presentation Mass: Candidate with parent(s) should attend on **Saturday 7th May at 6pm Vigil Mass** or **Sunday 8th May at 8am r 10am Masses**.
- C. Parent & Candidate Sessions of Instruction: Will be held on **WEDNESDAY'S on 11th, 18th, 25th May, 1st, and 8th June** in at St Therese Church commencing at **7pm sharp**.
All FIVE sessions are COMPULSORY and should run for approximately 50 minutes.
- D. Celebration of the Sacrament of FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS:
Sunday 19th June 2022 at 11:30 am at St Therese, Denistone.

Please note: Please complete the application and lodge it at the presbytery office or leave it in the presbytery mailbox: *8 Inkerman Road, Denistone*. If you are new to St Therese Parish, please attach a copy of their Baptism & Reconciliation Certificates. Ensure that all attachments to your application are included.

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Participation in the **First Eucharist Program of Preparation** costs \$40 and is payable when lodging the application with the parish office.

CONFIRMATION FOR YEAR 6

PROGRAM OF PREPARATION



Applications to enrol your child in Confirmation preparation will be available from Father Roberto at the Parent Information Night on the **20th July**.

- A. Parent Information Night will be held on **WEDNESDAY the 20th July at 7.30pm** in St. Therese Church. Please **DO NOT BRING** your children with you.
- B. Candidate & Parent attend Presentation Mass: Candidate with parent(s) should attend **Saturday 23rd July at 6pm Vigil Mass** or **Sunday 24th July at 8am or 10am Masses**.
- C. Parent & Candidate Sessions of Instruction: **WEDNESDAY'S 27th July, 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th August** in the St Therese Church at **7pm**.
- D. Rehearsal for Confirmation will be held in the Church at **4pm** on Saturday the **27th August** for candidates & their parent.
- E. Celebration of the Sacrament of CONFIRMATION:

**Sunday 28th August 2022 at 11.30am Mass
at St Therese, Denistone.**

Please note: Please complete the application and lodge it at the presbytery office or leave it in the presbytery mailbox: *8 Inkerman Rd, Denistone*. If you are new to St Therese Parish, please attach a copy of their Baptism, Reconciliation & FHC Certificates. Ensure that all attachments to your application are included.

Late enrolments for the Programs will NOT be accepted and will have to wait till 2023.

Participation in the **Confirmation Program of Preparation** costs \$40 and is payable when lodging the application with the parish office.

RECONCILIATION FOR YEAR 2

PROGRAM OF PREPARATION

Applications to enrol your child in the First Reconciliation Programme will be available from Father Roberto at the Parent Information Night on the **19th October**.



- A. Parent Information Night will be held on **WEDNESDAY the 19th October at 7.30pm** in St. Therese Church.
Please DO NOT BRING your children with you.
- B. Candidate & Parent attend Presentation Mass: Candidate with parent(s) should attend **Saturday 22nd October at 6pm Vigil Mass** or **Sunday 23rd October at 8am or 10am Masses**.
- C. Parent & Children Sessions of Instruction: Will be held on **WEDNESDAYS on 26th October, 2nd, 9th, and 16th November** in the St Therese Church commencing at **7pm sharp**.

All FIVE sessions are COMPULSORY and should run for approximately 50 minutes.

- D. Day of FIRST CONFESSION:

**Friday 18th November 2022 from 4pm to 7pm
at St Therese, Denistone.**

Please note: Please complete the application and lodge it at the presbytery office or leave it in the presbytery mailbox: *8 Inkerman Rd, Denistone*. If you are new to St Therese Parish, please attach a copy of their Baptism Certificate. Ensure that all attachments to your application are included.

Participation in the **Reconciliation Program of Preparation** costs \$40 and is payable when lodging the application with the parish office.

REMEMBER
MASS TIMES & SACRAMENTS
AT
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SATURDAY VIGIL:	6:00 pm
SUNDAY:	8:00 am and 10 am
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 5pm – 5.45pm or by appointment
MONDAY:	No Mass
TUESDAY through to SATURDAY:	9.00am Mass
FRIDAY:	9am Mass followed by Exposition & Benediction every Friday
BAPTISM:	Every Sunday at 11.30am. Please contact Parish Office.
ANOINTING OF THE SICK:	Please give names to Fr Roberto.
MARRIAGE:	By appointment.