

REGINA CAELI CATHOLIC PARISH



NORMAL WEEKEND MASS TIMES



- ◆ SATURDAY: 9AM
- ◆ SATURDAY VIGIL: 6PM
- ◆ SUNDAY: 6.30AM & 8.30AM



NORMAL WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

- ◆ MONDAY: 6.30AM
- ◆ TUESDAY: 9AM
- ◆ WEDNESDAY: 6.30AM
- ◆ THURSDAY: NONE
- ◆ FRIDAY: 9AM

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY, 5.15PM (OR BY APPOINTMENT)

We encourage all parents to bring children along to participate in Children's Church in the parish hall during any Sunday 8.30am Mass except in January.



Children's Church

Children hear a *child friendly* Gospel reading of the day with some craft to help them understand the message of the Gospel just a little better. **All welcome!**

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS. MISSION STATEMENT

- ◆ Sacramental Initiation is Parish based, however, Regina Caeli is welcoming of all like minded families.
- ◆ Regina Caeli presumes a combined involvement of **family & parish** for Sacrament preparation & appreciate help within preparation sessions where needed.
- ◆ Preparation for reception of Sacraments involves Group work, home preparation, craft & most of all **commitment**.
- ◆ Regina Caeli invite parents to work closely with Sacramental Team to prepare the children, recognising parents are the primary educators of their child's faith development.
- ◆ Parents may present children for preparation in Sacrament of Penance Round 1 (Ceremony of Reconciliation) in Year 2, (7 years and upwards), depending on readiness of the child & the recommendation of the parent. Hence, children will be a minimum of year 3 and upwards for reception of Sacraments of Confirmation & Eucharist.
- ◆ Eucharist is the climax of the Initiation process begun at Baptism. At Regina Caeli, Confirmation is celebrated prior to First Eucharist during same celebration of the Mass following a previous introduction to Reconciliation.

Sacrament Preparation Policy is under review however at Regina Caeli there is no immediate change.

... from the Archdiocesan 'Flame of Faith,' Receive the Light of Christ!

The Sacrament of Penance is one of two sacraments of healing (the other being the Anointing of the Sick). Penance is a sacrament of forgiveness and celebrates God's love and mercy towards us. It is about acknowledging and naming those times when we know we have done wrong, and then making peace and restoring the relationships with those who have been affected by our poor choices. The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated through the Rites of Reconciliation.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is the second of the three sacraments of Christian initiation. Confirmation completes Baptism, by which in the laying on of hands and the anointing with Chrism Oil, which first happened at Baptism, we are confirmed with the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

Eucharist is the Sacrament that completes the process of initiation and is when one can fully participate in the Eucharist by receiving Holy Communion. Eucharist is unique among the sacraments as it is at the heart of our faith. For Catholics, the Eucharist, or Mass, is the most powerful way we encounter the real presence of Jesus Christ. Sunday after Sunday (some, of course, gather everyday), Catholics gather to celebrate the Eucharist, the ritual in which, by the power of the Holy Spirit, bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. We who celebrate are also transformed, becoming Christ's presence to others, and recognising the presence of Christ in others.

RECONCILIATION

REGINA CAELI CATHOLIC PARISH 2020 - 2021



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FUTURE RECONCILIATION ENROLMENT MEETINGS

FOR CHILDREN YET TO PREPARE FOR RECONCILIATION IN EARLY 2021

ENROLMENT & PREPARATION INFORMATION EVENING IS:
MONDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2021 AT 7.30PM
ENROLMENTS FOR PREPARATION CLOSE **1 WEEK** PRIOR TO THE START OF PREPARATION



ALL CANDIDATES AGE WISE...

FOR RECONCILIATION ROUND I,
CANDIDATE MINIMUM AGE IS YEAR 2,
FOR CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST
CANDIDATE MINIMUM AGE IS YEAR 3.

THERE ARE USUALLY 2 OPPORTUNITIES TO PREPARE FOR RECONCILIATION. BOTH RECONCILIATION PREPARATION GROUPS WILL THEN COMBINE INTO ONE LARGER GROUP FOR CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION.

ROUND I PREPARATION IS AVAILABLE TO CHILDREN, YEAR 2 AND UPWARDS, YEARLY IN SEPT/OCT, HENCE, CANDIDATES WILL BE YEAR 3 AND UPWARDS FOR CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST IN FOLLOWING YEAR (2021).

THIS FOLLOWS THAT CANDIDATES FOR RECONCILIATION ROUND II IN TERM 1, 2021 ARE TO BE YEAR 3 & UPWARDS.

ALL PREPARATION START, TIME WISE...



EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT PREPARATION SESSIONS OR
SATURDAY MORNING AT **8.10AM**
FOR **8.15AM** START (TBC)

SATURDAY EVENING **5.25PM** FOR **5.30PM** START OR
SUNDAY MORNING AT **7.55AM** FOR **8AM** START

Candidates need only attend one session each weekend. Parents may choose session, that is conducive to family.

As part of preparation candidates & families attend celebration of the Mass together each weekend.



2021

Sacrament Preparation

2021 SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION) ROUND II PREPARATION



SESSION 1: SAT MARCH 13 @ 5.25PM 2021 OR
SUN MARCH 14 @ 7.55AM 2021

SESSION 2: SAT MARCH 20 @ 5.25PM 2021 OR
SUN MARCH 21 @ 7.55AM 2021

SESSION 3: SAT MARCH 27 @ 5.25PM 2021 OR
SUN MARCH 28 @ 7.55AM 2021

CEREMONY OF RECONCILIATION ROUND II MON MARCH 29, 2021 AT 6.30PM

2021 SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION



SAT MORNING SESSION 1 - **MAY 15, 8.10AM** OR (TBC)

SAT EVENING SESSION 1 - **MAY 15, 5.25PM** OR
SUN MORNING SESSION 1 - **MAY 16, 7.55AM**

SAT MORNING SESSION 2 - **MAY 22, 8.10AM** OR (TBC)

SAT EVENING SESSION 2 - **MAY 22, 5.25PM** OR
SUN MORNING SESSION 2 - **MAY 23, 7.55AM**

SAT MORNING SESSION 3 - **MAY 29, 8.10AM** OR (TBC)

SAT EVENING SESSION 3 - **MAY 29, 5.25PM** OR
SUN MORNING SESSION 3 - **MAY 30, 7.55AM**

SAT MORNING SESSION 4 - **JUNE 5, 8.10AM** OR (TBC)

SAT EVENING SESSION 4 - **JUNE 5, 5.25PM** OR
SUN MORNING SESSION 4 - **JUNE 6, 7.55AM**

CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST MEETING FOR PARENTS [20 MINS MAX] TO BE HELD AFTER MASS

IN CHURCH ITSELF ON **1ST ONLY** CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION SESSION ON...

MAY 15 AFTER 9AM SATURDAY MORNING MASS AND (TBC)

MAY 15 AFTER 6PM SATURDAY EVENING MASS AND

MAY 16 AFTER 8.30AM SUNDAY MORNING MASS.



2020 RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION

1. SATURDAY JUNE 12, 2020 @ 9AM (TBC) OR
2. SATURDAY JUNE 12, 2020 @ 3PM OR
3. SUNDAY JUNE 13, 2020 @ 8.30AM

CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST ARE BOTH CELEBRATED DURING THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST.

CONFIRMATION REAFFIRMS THE PROMISES MADE IN BAPTISM & FIRST EUCHARIST COMPLETES THE FULL INITIATION OF THE CHILD INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH. CONFIRMATION AS IN BAPTISM, REQUIRES A SPONSOR. EACH PARENT WILL CHOOSE 1 CATHOLIC ADULT SPONSOR.

ANOTHER SUPPORT PERSON MAY ALSO BE SELECTED. CHOSEN SPONSORS MAY BE GODPARENTS, FAMILY, MEMBER OF THE PARISH OR WIDER COMMUNITY, OVER 14 YEARS OF AGE BUT **NOT** A PARENT. THIS PERSON IS CALLED UPON TO PROVIDE ONGOING SUPPORT IN THE CANDIDATES' JOURNEY IN FAITH.

FAMILIES MAY CHOOSE PREPARATION & CEREMONY TIME, HOWEVER, CAPS ON ALLOWABLE NUMBERS WILL BE ENFORCED UNDER COVID-19 SAFE INDUSTRY PLAN AS INDICATED APPROPRIATE AT THE TIME.

FAMILIES MAY BE REQUIRED TO BOOK IN AHEAD FOR PREPARATION & CEREMONY DEPENDING ON FINAL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES. IT IS TO BE NOTED WITH THE UNPREDICTABILITY OF COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, THERE MAY BE OCCASION FOR SOME ALTERATIONS OF SOME DATES, BUT HOPEFULLY NOT.

The enclosed information is pertinent for Reconciliation Round I candidates having prepared for Reconciliation in October 2020 and Reconciliation Round II candidates preparing in March 2021.

Both Round I Round II Reconciliation candidates combine to form one group for preparation in Confirmation & First Communion culminating in reception of Sacraments of Confirmation & First Communion in June 2021.