

# Parish First Communion Programme 2021-22

For **ALL** families whose children are preparing for First Holy Communion in the parish of St Nicholas, Boldmere.

Any Sunday Mass on 11/12 September	<i>Mass times in parish newsletter</i>	Children's 'Enrolment' Mass
Any Sunday Mass on 9/10 October	<i>Mass times in parish newsletter</i>	Children's 'Gathering' Mass
Any Sunday Mass on 20/21 Nov	<i>Mass times in parish newsletter</i>	Children's 'Listening' Mass
Tuesday 14 December	6pm	Advent reconciliation service for children and their families
Any Sunday Mass on 8/9 January	<i>Mass times in parish newsletter</i>	Children's 'Making our offering' Mass
Any Sunday Mass on 12/13 February	<i>Mass times in parish newsletter</i>	Children's 'Praying in Communion' Mass
Tuesday 8 March	6pm	Service to prepare for children's First Confession (and receiving the Sacrament of Penance)
Season of Lent		Children and parents are invited to come to make their confession during Lent at the parish's regular times which will be confirmed nearer the time. (Please arrive in good time – at least 10 minutes before end of any session which is followed by Mass)
<p><b>All families are urged to take part in the principal services of the Triduum (14-17 April) – Holy Thursday night, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.</b></p> <p><b>The children will have key roles in these liturgies, and the services provide the perfect setting for them to draw together the themes of their preparation for their First Holy Communion.</b></p>		
Tuesday 26 April Wednesday 27 April	3.40pm and 4.40pm	Rehearsal for child making first Communion (accompanied by parent) Booking forms for sessions will be available from February.
7 / 8 May 14 / 15 May 21 / 22 May	SUNDAY MASSES	<b>FIRST COMMUNION MASSES</b> Booking forms for sessions will be available during January
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	9am	Children's 'Mission' Mass and Corpus Christi Procession. Children are invited to take part in this Mass wearing their First Communion clothes.

- Children and families are expected to attend Sunday Mass weekly during the period of the preparation.
- Children in the programme are invited to volunteer to assist the parish by training as servers, and/or (together with their parents, assisting with the Offertory collection and procession.

Parents Meetings
Family events
Parents and older siblings only

Please note

- 'Classroom teaching' of children at St Nicholas School is in school-time.
- The additional details for the programme for the Saturday group (ie children at other schools) will be available shortly.