



Presentation + Confirmation Dates

- ✓ **Presentation Mass**
Sunday, 29th September 2019
at 10.30am in Church
- ✓ **Parents' Meeting before Confirmation**
Thursday, 23rd January 2020
at 7pm in St Peter's Parish Centre
- ✓ **Confirmation Celebration**
Tuesday, 4th February 2020 at 7.00pm [Together with the local Parishes, administered by Bishop William Nolan]



2019 - 2020

First Holy Communion Dates

- ✓ **Parents' Meeting before First Holy Communion**
Thursday, 7th May 2020 at 7pm
in St Peter's Parish Centre

- ✓ **First Holy Communion Mass**
Weekend, 16th/17th May 2020
at 10.30am

Sacramental Programme for St Peter in Chains Parish, Ardrossan

Welcome to our journey of faith...

Preparation for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion [P4]

Parents of baptised children, who have made their First Confession last year, entering Primary 4 are invited by the Parish Family to present children to prepare for, and celebrate, the two Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. These Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist continue the process of Initiation, which began with at Baptism. They are called “Sacraments of Initiation” and they are the ways God has given us to become full members of his Catholic Family.

On the day of a child’s Baptism, the Priest asked the parents: “You have asked to have your child baptised. In doing so you are accepting the responsibility of training him/her in the practice of the faith. It will be your duty to bring him/her up to keep God’s commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbour. Do you clearly understand what you are undertaking?”

The answer “Yes, I do” to this question was the promise made by parents before God and his Church that they accepted this wider role as parents. As well as being the first teachers of children in many of the ordinary ways of human living, parents also accept that they are the first teachers of children in the ways of faith. This is a beautiful mission for the family!

So, it is the responsibility and privilege of parents to bring children to the sacraments. This started with the children receiving their First Confession last year and now they will receive the Sacraments of Confirmation in February 2020 [with Bishop Nolan] and then receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time in May 2020. Our Meetings together are the preparation for these Sacraments.

What to do...

Dates & Times

Please make sure you keep the Dates and Times of our Meetings in a safe place. **It is necessary to attend all Meetings.** Thanks!

Parish Catechist

Clara Hyslop

Sacraments

Preparation for Confirmation and First Holy Communion

If you need any further information please call 01294 464063 and ask for Father Duncan. Thank you!

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On their Sacramental Journey, children will also have the opportunity for Confession during Advent and Lent in School. Confession restores our life with God and with God’s family, the Church, when we have damaged it by sin. It restores us to the innocence of the day we were baptised.

Dear Parent/Guardian!
Your Primary 4 child is being prepared, in school, to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation on Tuesday, 4th February 2019, at St Peter’s with the local Parishes and First Communion on Weekend 16th/17th May 2020.

The theme for Confirmation is 'Come Holy Spirit' and in our meetings we will discuss and share what it means to be confirmed in the Holy Spirit. The theme for First Communion is 'The Greatest Gift of All' and we can explore the meaning of the great gift given to us in the Eucharist.

We encourage you to show your commitment to the ongoing development of your child's faith by taking part in this programme and by bringing your child to Sunday Mass where we have a very good Children's Liturgy Group the children can join.

We look forward to seeing you for our **Presentation Mass on Sunday, 29th September.** Overleaf is the list of dates for your diary. God bless! Fr Duncan

