

## WEEKLY PREPARATION GROUPS

All candidates for Confirmation will participate in one prep session once a week over four weeks with one or both parents. Please understand that only limited numbers can be catered for in each of the venues. Places will be allocated based on the order of completed enrolment forms received and availability of group facilitators, and confirmed upon completion of Enrolment Rites

SESSION	SATURDAYS 3 TO 4PM CARLINGFORD PARISH HALL	SATURDAYS 4:30 TO 5:30PM CARLINGFORD PARISH HALL	SUNDAYS 3 TO 4PM EPPING PARISH HALL	SUNDAYS 4:30 TO 5:30PM EPPING PARISH HALL	WEDNESDAYS 3:30 TO 4:30PM CARLINGFORD PARISH MEETING ROOM
ONE	10 August	10 August	11 August	11 August	14 August
TWO	17 August	17 August	18 August	18 August	21 August
THREE	24 August	24 August	25 August	25 August	28 August
FOUR	31 August	31 August	1 September	1 September	4 September

## WEEKEND PARISH MASS TIMES

### CARLINGFORD

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm  
 Sunday 7:45am  
 9:30am

### EPPING

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm  
 Sunday 8:30am  
 10:15am  
 6:00pm

### KIDZ WORD *(During school terms)*

Children's Liturgy is held every Sunday during school terms at the:  
 9:30am Mass at St Gerard's and 10:15am Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians.

### CHILDREN'S MASS *(During school terms)*

First Sunday of the month at the 9:30am Mass at St Gerard's  
 Third Sunday of the month at the 10:15am Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians

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**IMPORTANT DATES**

SATURDAY 29 JUNE to SUNDAY 28 JULY	<b>Enrolment Period</b>
TUESDAY 23 JULY <i>(for parents enrolling for the first time)</i> <b>OR</b> THURSDAY 25 JULY <i>(for parents who have enrolled an older child in previous years)</i>	<b>Parent Information Session at Carlingford</b> Please be seated by 1:30pm Parish Meeting Room Carlingford <i>Children are not required to attend.</i>
TUESDAY 30 JULY <i>(for parents enrolling for the first time)</i> <b>OR</b> THURSDAY 1 AUGUST <i>(for parents who have enrolled an older child in previous years)</i>	<b>Parent Information Session at Epping</b> Please be seated by 7:30pm Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Hall (enter onsite parking via Cambridge Street) <i>Children are not required to attend.</i>
SUNDAY 4 AUGUST <i>(Includes Saturday 3 AUG Vigil Masses)</i>	<b>Rite of Enrolment</b> All Masses at St Gerard's and Our Lady Help of Christians <i>Required to complete and confirm enrolment</i>
TUESDAY 6 AUGUST	<b>Group Facilitator Briefing</b> 7:30 to 8:30pm Parish Meeting Room Carlingford
SUNDAY 25 AUGUST <i>(Includes Saturday 24 AUG Vigil Masses)</i>	<b>Presentation of the Creed</b> All Masses at St Gerard's and Our Lady Help of Christians
THURSDAY 29 AUGUST	<b>Gathering with Parents</b> 7pm VENUE TO BE ADVISED
SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER	<b>Rehearsal for Liturgy at Epping</b> 2:30 to 3:30pm at Our Lady Help of Christians
SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER	<b>Rehearsal for Liturgy at Carlingford</b> 4:00 to 5:00pm at St Gerard's
SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER	<b>Confirmation Liturgies</b> 10:00am St Gerard's 12:00pm Our Lady Help of Christians
SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER <i>(Includes Saturday 21 SEP Vigil Masses)</i>	<b>Presentation of Confirmation Certificate</b> All Masses at St Gerard's and Our Lady Help of Christians <i>Parents to nominate the Mass they wish to attend with child.</i>

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

The Catholic community of Epping and Carlingford invites you to enrol your child in this year's Confirmation programme. In our Diocese of Broken Bay, children who have been baptised and are in Year 2 or above, are eligible to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

This second Sacrament of Initiation confirms your child's Baptism through the anointing of the Holy Spirit, which is signified by the oil of Chrism and will lead your child to full initiation in the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of First Eucharist.

There are important dates contained in this brochure for you to enter into your diary.

To enrol your child, please read the Enrolment Information before you complete the enrolment form attached and return it to the parish office by 28 July. Your attendance at **just one** Parent Information Session and one Rite of Enrolment Mass will complete the enrolment process. You may choose any one of the given dates and times at either Epping or Carlingford to attend the Information Session.

The other attached brochure, 'Preparing for Your Child's Confirmation', will provide you with some guidelines when choosing a Confirmation name and Sponsor for your child. You will need to return the slip with your child's Confirmation name and Sponsor's name by the first group session.

Enrolling in the Sacramental programme is a serious commitment for you and your child. Your commitment to all aspects of the Confirmation programme is essential. If you experience any problems, please contact us at once to discuss.

We appreciate that each family has its own unique story on their journey together. We receive all kinds of questions from parents, so please don't think that your question is trivial or unimportant. Supporting you in nurturing you and your child's faith journey is always important to us.

We look forward to meeting you at one of the Information Sessions for parents.

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