

WEEKLY PREPARATION GROUPS

All candidates for First Reconciliation 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.

SESSION	THURSDAYS 3:30 TO 4:30PM CARLINGFORD PARISH MEETING ROOM	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
ONE	20 February	22 February (Epping Hall)	22 February (Epping Hall)	23 February	23 February
TWO	27 February	29 February	29 February	1 March	1 March
THREE	5 March	7 March	7 March	8 March	8 March
FOUR	12 March	14 March	14 March	15 March	15 March

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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Dear Parent/Caregiver,

The Catholic community of Epping and Carlingford invites you to enrol your child in this year's First Reconciliation Programme. In our Diocese of Broken Bay, First Reconciliation is normally celebrated before First Eucharist. Children who have been baptised and confirmed are invited to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

This brochure contains important dates for your child's preparation for this Sacrament. We ask that you please enter these dates into your diary.

To enrol your child, please read the Enrolment Information before you complete the enrolment form attached and submit it by 2 February. Your attendance at one Parent Information Session and one Rite of Enrolment Mass will complete the enrolment process.

Upon processing your child's enrolment, we will email you to confirm your child's preparation session and First Reconciliation celebration times.

We appreciate that each family has its own unique story as they journey through life. We receive all kinds of questions from parents, so please don't ever think your question is trivial or unimportant. Celebrating God's love in this Sacrament and supporting you in nurturing you and your child's faith journey is important to us!

The parish community looks forward to welcoming you over the coming weeks and especially at one of the Information Sessions for parents.

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IMPORTANT DATES

MONDAY 20 JANUARY to SUNDAY 2 FEBRUARY	Enrolment Period
THURSDAY 30 JANUARY <i>(for parents enrolling for the first time)</i>	Parent Information Session at Carlingford Please be seated by 1:15pm Parish Meeting Room Carlingford <i>Children are NOT required to attend</i>
TUESDAY 4 FEBRUARY <i>(for parents enrolling for the first time)</i> OR THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY <i>(for parents who have enrolled an older child in previous years)</i>	Parent Information Session at Epping Please be seated by 7:30pm Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Hall (enter onsite parking from Cambridge St) <i>Children are NOT required to attend</i>
TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY	Group Facilitator Briefing 7:30 to 8:30pm Parish Meeting Room Carlingford
SUNDAY 16 FEBRUARY <i>(Includes Saturday 15 Feb Vigil Masses)</i>	Rite of Enrolment All Masses at St Gerard's and Our Lady Help of Christians <i>Required to complete and confirm enrolment</i>
SUNDAY 8 MARCH <i>(Includes Saturday 7 Mar Vigil Masses)</i>	Presentation of the Act of Contrition All Masses at St Gerard's and Our Lady Help of Christians
SATURDAY 21 MARCH	SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION I I am Our Lady Help of Christians 3:30pm St Gerard's