



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

First Holy Communion (or First Eucharist) is available for children in Year 4 and older who have received Baptism, Confirmation and Reconciliation. It is the final Sacrament of Initiation and means the child is a fully initiated (or adult) Catholic.

STEP 1: ENROLMENT

Enrolment will take place at the church after the Masses on the following two weekends:

Saturday 30th July after 5.00pm,
Sunday 31st July after 8.30am & 10.00am

Saturday 6th August after 5.00pm,
Sunday 7th August after 8.30am & 10.00am

Enrolments will also be accepted through the Parish Office from Monday 1st August to Friday 5th August, during office hours.

Bring your completed enrolment form (available from the parish website), and a copy of your child's baptism certificate (if not baptised at Terrigal), plus \$25.00 to cover the cost of the activity book, certificate etc.

STEP 2: INPUT SESSION FOR PARENTS

This session will be held in the church at on **Thursday 18th August** at 7.00pm. Please arrive at 6.45pm so we can distribute the resources. We aim to make this a relaxed, spiritual, informative evening. We will finish by 8.00pm.

It is essential that at least one parent comes to this session. If there is some serious reason you are unable to attend, please let Fr Vince or Janette know through the Parish Office.

STEP 3: PARENT & CHILD PREPARATION SUPPORT CLASS

This class will be held in the church on Saturday 27th August at 3.30pm. The class is to be the main support for your child. One parent must attend with the child receiving the sacrament. Please bring your child's activity book with you. The class will also include a practice of how to receive communion. We will finish in time for the parish Mass at 5.00pm.

STEP 4: PARISH PRESENTATIONS

Children receiving their First Holy Communion will be presented to the Parish at all the Masses over this weekend. Mass times are Saturday 27th August at 5.00pm, and Sunday 28th August at 7.00am, 8.30am & 10.00am. The Presentation is explained on pages 32 and 62 of the activity book.

STEP 5: RECONCILIATION (2nd Rite) time to be advised.

Reconciliation will be offered on Thursday 1st September for the children making their First Holy Communion and their families.

STEP 6: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DAY 2022

First Holy Communion will be celebrated at the Parish Masses on the following two weekends:

Saturday 10th September at 5.00pm

Sunday 11th September at 7.00am, 8.30am & 10.00am

Saturday 17th September at 5.00pm

Sunday 18th September at 7.00am, 8.30am & 10.00am

The choice Mass date and time will be at the time of enrolment, on a 'first come first served' basis. Family and friends are invited to attend the Mass.

Enquiries to the Sacramental Co-ordinator, Janette Merrotsy, at the Parish Office on 4367 4610 or 0421 416 555.

