

## **CONFIRMATION PROGRAM 2024**

*[For children aged 8 years, or at least Yr 3]*

Enrolment forms will be available at the foyer of the church, and via our website on the weekend of March 2/3

**ENROLMENT MUST BE REGISTERED & PAID TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY APRIL 3 2024**

OBLIGATORY PARENT EDUCATION SESSION  
**WEDNESDAY APRIL 10, 7.00PM** IN THE CHURCH.

**PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES  
@ ALL MASSES ON THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 27/28**

### **CLASS DATES & TIMES**

**VENUE:** St. Patrick's School [Victoria St Campus] **COST:** \$55 ea / \$70 twins /\$110 family

Sunday 8.30 am & 4.50pm	Thursday 3.15 & 7.00pm
April 28	May 2
May 5	May 9
May 12	May 16
May 19	May 23

### **Practice Session**

**Sunday May 26 following the 9.30am Mass for 30 mins**

- ◆ The class dates are not interchangeable and your selection should remain at your original choice.
- ◆ *Residents of the Mangrove Mountain district will be advised of a local venue at the Parent Education Evening.*



### **CONFIRMATION RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT**

**Sunday June 2 @ St Patrick's Church During Masses  
@ 9.30am & an 11.30am Dedicated Mass**

**If numbers dictate, an additional Mass time will be offered.**

## **COMBINED**

### **RECONCILIATION & EUCHARIST PROGRAM 2024**

*[Children must have completed the Confirmation PROGRAM and received the Sacrament before commencing this PROGRAM.]*

Enrolment forms will be available at the foyer of the church, and via our website on the weekend of June 1/2

**ENROLMENT MUST BE REGISTERED & PAID TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY JULY 17**

OBLIGATORY PARENT EDUCATION SESSION  
**WEDNESDAY JULY 24 @ 7PM** IN THE CHURCH

**PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES  
@ ALL MASSES ON THE WEEKEND OF JULY 27/28**

### **CLASS DATES & TIMES**

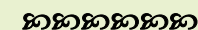
**VENUE:** St. Patrick's School [Victoria St Campus] **COST:** \$55 ea / \$70 twins /\$110 family

Sunday 8.30am & 4.50pm	Thursday 3.15 & 7.00pm
August 4	August 8
August 11	August 15
August 18	August 22
August 25	August 29
September 1	September 5
September 8	September 12

### **Practice Session**

**Sunday September 15 following the 9.30am Mass for 30 mins**

- ◆ The class dates are not interchangeable and your selection should remain at your original choice.
- ◆ *Residents of the Mangrove Mountain district will be advised of a local venue at the Parent Education Evening. NB: There will not be a 1st Communion Mass at Somersby.*



**RECONCILIATION RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT  
Thursday September 19 @ 6.00pm in the church.**

**FIRST COMMUNION RECEPTION OF THE SACRAMENT  
Sunday September 22: 11.00am [Dedicated Mass] @ St Patrick's Church**

*“The initiation of Children into the Sacramental life is, for the most part, the responsibility and concern of the parents.*

*They are to form and gradually increase a spirit of faith in the children and, with the help of catechetical institutions, prepare them for the fruitful reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation & Eucharist.”*

[Rite of Confirmation Introduction M3]



### PARENTS PLEASE NOTE

Please remember that application forms for all sacraments will be available via our website, from the same weekend that hard copies will be produced for schools and the parish: [www.bbcatholic.org.au/gosford](http://www.bbcatholic.org.au/gosford)

### YOUR PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

It is Diocesan policy that the Parish presents a family-centred catechesis for the reception of the Sacraments, and therefore parents are expected to prepare their children for their fruitful reception of the Sacraments by forming and gradually increasing within them a spirit of faith. Completion of the course also includes the following commitments:

- ◆ Parents should present their child at the Mass on the Sunday following the Parents' Education Evening to complete the enrolment process.
- ◆ Parents are to bring their child to each session, on time for its commencement.
- ◆ Parents are to bring their child to Sunday Mass each week of the relevant PROGRAM.
- ◆ Parents and children need to participate in all scheduled sessions to ensure adequate preparation for the child's reception of each Sacrament.
- ◆ Parents are to bring their child to the short practice which takes place on the Sunday before the date of reception of the sacrament.

While Parish and schools will provide valuable teaching support, parents are really the ones who have most influence in preparing children and presenting them for reception of the Sacraments.

A copy of the baptism certificate of children not baptised at this parish is to be lodged with the Confirmation application and relevant fee before enrolment is considered finalised.



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## Sacramental Program 2024

Reception of the Sacraments in chronological order:

### Confirmation

[The 1st Sacrament of Initiation after Baptism]

**Sunday June 2 @ 11.30am [Dedicated Mass]**

### Reconciliation & 1st Eucharist

*This is a combined course but each sacrament is received separately.*

### Reconciliation

[for those who have been Confirmed]

**Thursday September 19 @ 6.00pm**

### 1st Eucharist

[for those already Confirmed & received 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation]

**Sunday September 22 @ Gosford  
At the 11.00am Dedicated Mass**