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Dear Families,

The current Sacramental Program began in 2022 with the Sacrament of Confirmation and will be followed by the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist in 2023.

Those Candidates who completed the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2022 (or earlier) are invited to enrol now for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Candidates must be in Year 4 or above and have completed the Sacrament of Confirmation.
Candidates in high school, please contact the Parish Office before submitting an enrolment form.

To enrol your child you will need to:

- Pay the \$100 enrolment fee to cover both Sacraments via online payment (please email the coordinators if you will have difficulty paying the full fee at enrolment);
 - Go to <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/kccp/our-parish/online-payments>, select 'Sacramental Programs' from the drop down menu, enter the details required and on the last page enter an email address for your receipt. Please write the receipt number clearly on the bottom of the enrolment form before submitting.
- Complete the attached enrolment form and email to kccpsacraments@gmail.com before Monday 20 February 2023.

IMPORTANT: If your child was NOT Confirmed at St Patrick's or St Bernard's, you MUST attach both their Baptism and Confirmation Certificates from the churches these Sacraments were received in.

Attached is a schedule of important dates regarding preparation for the Sacraments. By enrolling your child in the program, it is expected that families commit to attendance and participation in all scheduled talks, workshops and rehearsals to ensure that your child is well prepared for the Sacraments.

- One parent **MUST** attend the parent talk on **Thursday 23 February 2023** (see schedule of important dates for details).
- Candidates **MUST** attend Mass every weekend during the program.
- Options for workshop dates and times will be emailed after enrolment numbers are finalised.

Workshops have been determined by the Diocese of Broken Bay and are designed to be delivered by volunteer facilitators.

Therefore, ~ we are seeking willing adults to facilitate sessions ~ and simply guide participants through the provided program.

- Training, workshop materials and ongoing assistance can be provided by the Sacramental Team and Clergy.
- Please email the Sacramental Coordinators at kccpsacraments@gmail.com if you are able to assist at either St Patrick's or St Bernard's or would like to find out more about what is involved in facilitating the workshops.
- The success of this program relies on the support of families ~ please consider 'leading' a workshop.

I thank you in advance for your cooperation and participation in the program. I pray for a graceful preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Eucharist and look forward to celebrating these Sacraments with your children.

Rev Dr Biju Jose OSH
Parish Administrator

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST 2023

SCHEDULE OF IMPORTANT DATES

| What to attend | When and Where | | Things to note |
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| Parent Talk on the Sacraments <i>(Children do not need to attend)</i> | Thursday, 23 February 2023 7.30 – 8.30pm Where: St Bernard’s Church Warrina St, Berowra Heights. Parking: 1-19 Woodcourt Road | | One parent must attend. If, due to unforeseen circumstances, this is not possible, please call Fr Biju on 9456 2450 (during business hours) before this date to discuss whether your child can proceed with the program. |
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| Reconciliation workshops: | Asquith St Patrick’s School | Berowra St Bernard’s School | There are 4 Reconciliation workshops, approx. 45 mins each. Candidates attend one workshop each week with one of their parents. |
| workshop 1 | 27 Feb to 5 Mar | | |
| workshop 2 | 6 to 12 Mar | | |
| Presentation of candidates | 11 or 12 Mar At any of the weekend Masses | | Children are presented to the Parish community during Mass. |
| workshop 3 | 13 to 19 Mar | | |
| workshop 4 | 20 to 26 Mar | | |
| FIRST RECONCILIATION (First rite) | Asquith Wednesday 29 Mar 6.30 – 7.30pm St Patrick’s Church | Berowra Thursday 30 Mar 6.30 – 7.30pm St Bernard’s Church | A timeslot will be allocated for each candidate to attend for First Reconciliation. Parents are strongly encouraged to set an example for their children by also going to Reconciliation on the evening. |
| Break for School holidays: 10 to 23 April | | | |
| Eucharist workshops: | Asquith St Patrick’s School | Berowra St Bernard’s School | There are 4 Eucharist workshops, approx. 45 mins each. Candidates attend one workshop each week with one of their parents. |
| workshop 1 | 1 May to 7 May | | |
| Break for Mother’s Day on 14 May | | | |
| workshop 2 | 15 to 21 May | | |
| Presentation of candidates | 20 or 21 May At any of the weekend Masses | | |
| workshop 3 | 22 to 28 May | | |
| workshop 4 | 29 May to 4 June | | |
| 10-12 June – Long Weekend | | | |
| Practice for First Eucharist | Asquith Sunday 18 June after 10am Mass St Patrick’s Church | Berowra Sunday 18 June after 9am Mass St Bernard’s Church | Candidates will have a practice for First Eucharist in the Church following Mass. Candidates MUST attend this Mass and stay for the First Eucharist practise which follows. |
| RECONCILIATION | Asquith Tuesday 20 June 6.30 – 7.30pm St Patrick’s Church | Berowra Thursday 22 June 6.30 – 7.30pm St Bernard’s Church | If unable to attend on one of these dates, please call Fr Biju on 9456 2450 (during business hours) before 15 June to discuss. |
| CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST | St Patrick’s, Asquith Sunday 25 June during the 10am Mass | St Bernard’s, Berowra Sunday 25 June during the 9am Mass | |

KU-RING-GAI CHASE CATHOLIC PARISH
RECONCILIATION & EUCHARIST PROGRAM ENROLMENT FORM 2023

First Reconciliation dates: 29, 30 March 2023

First Eucharist date: 25 June 2023

[NB: Reconciliation will again take place prior to First Eucharist: 20, 22 June 2023]

*Information given on this form is subject to the Diocese of Broken Bay Privacy Policy
(available on the Diocese website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/privacy-policy>)*

Candidate's Surname _____

Candidate's Christian Names _____

Address _____

_____ Postcode _____

Home Telephone _____ Email _____

Preferred contact number during working hours _____

Candidate's Date of Birth _____ Age at 25 June 2023 _____

School Attending _____ Class _____

Father's Full Name _____ Religion _____

Mother's Full Name _____ Religion _____

Mother's **Maiden** Name _____

Was the candidate Baptised into the Catholic Church? _____

Candidate's **Date of Baptism** ____ / ____ / ____ **Place of Baptism** _____

If baptised overseas, please give full name and address of overseas church

Please attach a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate (if not already provided at the Sacrament of Confirmation in this parish).

Has the candidate celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation? _____

If yes, name of parish and suburb _____

Has the candidate celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation? _____

If yes, name of parish and suburb _____

The first name of candidates and first initial of the family name will be published in the parish bulletin.

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