

Mater Dei Parish, Blakehurst - Sacramental Preparation Programme 2016

CONFIRMATION



At Confirmation we are sealed with the Holy Spirit, who strengthens and guides our Christian faith.

Eligibility: Candidates must be Baptised Catholic. Usually a candidate is in Year 6+.

Parent Information Evening:
16/3/16 (Parish Hall) 7 p.m.

Commitment Weekend (inc. Session One): TBA

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3 x Formation Sessions + Mass: (10 a.m)

with teaching sessions from
8.50 a.m.-9.50 a.m. on each Sunday.

Dates to be advised

Reflection Day at Mater Dei School
TBA (9 a.m.—3 p.m.)

**Celebration of the Sacrament
of Confirmation**
11th May 2016 (7.00 p.m.)

*We speak of celebrating the Sacraments rather than doing First reconciliation or making First Eucharist.
This emphasizes the fact that we consciously participate in the action of God.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

*In the Eucharist, Jesus gives himself completely to us.
Jesus becomes the spiritual food we need for our life's journey.*

Eligibility: Candidates must be baptised Catholic, be eight (8) years of age or older (year 4+) and have received First Reconciliation.

Parent Information Evening: 10th August 2016. At 7 p.m.

Commitment Weekend (inc Session One). TBA

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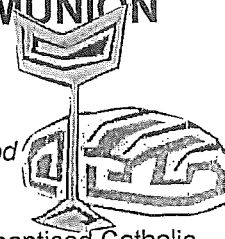
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Reflection Day at Mater Dei School
13th September 2016 (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Celebration of Sacrament of First Eucharist Masses:
18th September 2016: Times to be advised.



*It is not just something that is done to us
God acts and we respond*

FIRST RECONCILIATION

*Reconciliation is a Sacrament of healing.
Reconciliation enables us to receive God's forgiveness for our sins.*



Eligibility: Candidates
Must be baptised Catholic, be seven (7) years of age or older (Year 3+) Reconciliation is usually the next Sacrament following Baptism

Parent Information Evening: TBA

Commitment Weekend (inc Session One): TBA

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3 Formation Sessions + Mass (10 a.m.)

with teaching sessions from
8.50 a.m. to 9.50 a.m. on each Sunday.

Dates to be advised

Reflection Day at Mater Dei School
2nd November 2016 (9 a.m.—3 p.m.)

**Celebration of the Sacrament of
First Reconciliation:**
8th November 2016 (5.00 p.m.)