



Dear Year 5 Pupils, Parents/ Carers

We are so excited, because you can finally get to make your First Holy Communion in the Church of the Immaculate Conception and then celebrate together on this very special day indeed.

Just a little reminder of the dates/ times for each Year 5 class;

Year 5 B (Mrs Gormley's Class): Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October @11am

Year 5 A (Mrs Gillespie's Class): Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October @2pm

Our mass will be so special to us all. In agreement with Fr. Boland, due to COVID 19 restrictions there are a few little guidance points that everyone should be aware of.

1. Each child who is making their First Holy Communion will be allocated a seat in the Church for them and their family to sit in. (There can be up to a maximum of 8 family members including the Holy Communicant). The layout of our Church should allow for this number to be safely seated in the church and allow for social distancing in so far that it is needed.

2. Seats will be allocated in alphabetical order (in the middle aisle) and the family name will be clearly indicated at the end of the seat. Families will be directed to their seat upon arrival at the Church by members of staff. Families should be seated approximately 10 minutes before mass is due to start.

3. Adults should wear a face covering for the duration of the mass.

3. Photographs and videoing in the Church is limited due to COVID 19 and safeguarding restrictions but there will be a photographer in the Church (in agreement with Fr. Boland) who will take photos of our children receiving their First Holy Communion. These can be purchased after the ceremony, in agreement with the photographer.

4. Families may take as many photographs as they wish outside in the Church grounds on the day. We hope that the weather is kind to us all!

We have waited so long for this very special celebration for our children. We will make it a special day for them and their families.

**Best wishes from**

Mrs. Gillespie, Mrs Breslin (Year 5 B)

Mrs. Gormley, Ms Porter, Ms Diver (Year 5A)

Mrs Deery/ Mrs Doherty (Music Department)

Mrs Wilders (Principal)/ Miss Doherty (Vice Principal)

