



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2025

Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

Parent Information Letter and Enrolment Form

“. . . And Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you. Go, and do not sin again.” (John 8:11b)

9 December 2024

Dear Parents / Guardians,

We would like to invite and inform you that our Parish, St Padre Pio, Glenmore Park, will begin the Sacramental Program of Penance and Reconciliation in February 2025. This Sacrament is open to children from Year 3 and above who have received the Sacrament of Baptism. **All Enrolments must be received by the Parish Office no later than 18 February 2025.**

Below is the timetable for this Sacramental Program:

* **Enrolment Form Due:**

Tuesday, 18 February 2025 - **Parish Office Only** (Office hours Tues to Fri 9.30 am – 3.30 pm) or emailed to Parish Sacraments (email address below).

Please ensure that the Baptism Certificate is included and that payment of the Financial Contribution **\$50** is made – cash and Eftpos can be paid at the Parish Office or BPoint via the Parish Website.

* **Compulsory Parent Information Evening:**

Tuesday, 25 February 2025, at St Padre Pio Church, 7:00 pm. (Not necessary for Candidate to attend.)

* **Presentation of Candidates and their Families at Mass:**

Saturday, 1 March 2025 at 5.30 pm

OR

Sunday, 2 March 2025 at 8.00 am **OR** 10.00 am

* **Attendance at Weekend Mass:**

As Catholic Parents desiring your Child to receive the Sacraments so that their life is grace-filled with the glorious hope of our Eternal Home means that you must be the first example of this beautiful Catholic life (this is also the promise made by Parents at their Child’s Baptism). And as your Child participates in **Mass, every Sunday**, the next Sacrament, First Holy Eucharist, becomes a reality and even a personal yearning to receive. St John Paul II in his Apostolic Letter *DIES DOMINI* explains the sacredness and the joy of Sunday which should be practiced as our way of life.

During the Formation period of this Sacrament, Penance and Reconciliation, it is expected that when you and your Child attend Mass, to have the ‘Mass booklet’ signed by the Parish Priest.

* **Compulsory Formation Workshops** will be held on **Tuesday evenings from 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm only.**

Workshops will be **facilitated by Fr Sheldon Bourke (Parish Assistant Priest)** and held in the Bethany School Hall.

Please be punctual.

The Formation Workshop dates are below:

Workshop I – 4 March 2025

Workshop II – 11 March 2025

Workshop III – 18 March 2025

Workshop IV – 25 March 2025

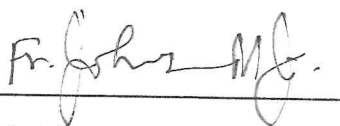
Please be aware that the Candidate MUST complete all the Formation Workshops to understand, value and receive the Sacrament. (Please do not ask for exemptions.)

**The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation
Tuesday 1 April 2025 at 7.00 pm in our Parish Church.**

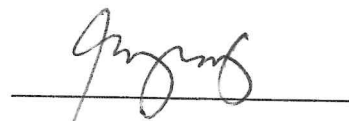
We ask that you ***please check your emails regularly (including the 'junk emails')*** for updates from our Parish Sacrament Team regarding this Sacramental Program.

Before you fill in this Enrolment Form, you are requested to **carefully read and consider the dates** planned for this Sacramental Program and can **commit to the timetable above**, as it is essential for the full preparation of the Sacrament. Please also be aware that there is ***only one time slot available for the Compulsory Workshop Sessions.***

With prayers and blessings,



Fr Johnson M Joseph CRS
(Parish Priest)



Mrs Maria Lya Layug
(Sacramental Team Coordinator)