



# St Martha's Catholic Church, Strathfield

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## Our Sacramental program....

*Assisting parents with their child's next steps in a lifelong adventure of faith.*

### First Reconciliation

*"Bringing back together"*



### First Holy Communion

*"Jesus is with us"*



Dear Parents, Caregivers and Candidates,

Attached is the application form for the First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion sacramental program to be completed and returned to the Parish office.

#### ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS OF:

##### 2017 First Reconciliation

##### 2018 First Holy Communion

- Your child must be in Year 2 or above in 2017 to make Reconciliation.
- Have received the Sacrament of Baptism.

#### ENROLMENTS CONCLUDE FRIDAY 8th SEPTEMBER

Your child's enrolment is guaranteed when the parish office has received your completed form, payment and copy of Baptism certificate.

#### Please observe the following important dates:

<b>Sacramental Facilitators Meeting: Parish Meeting Room 7:00pm Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> Oct.</b>
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2017 Reconciliation Dates	2018 First Communion Dates
Information Session & Commitment Mass ( <b>Compulsory for parent(s) and candidate</b> )  Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2017  <b>Welcome, Lesson 1 - 3:30pm</b> – St Martha's school hall  <b>Commitment Mass - 5:00pm</b> in the church	Information Session & Commitment Mass ( <b>Compulsory for parent(s) and candidate</b> )  Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2018  <b>Welcome, Lesson 1 - 3:30pm</b> – St Martha's school hall  <b>Commitment Mass - 5:00pm</b> in the church
<b>Lesson 2 - Sat. 28<sup>th</sup> Oct at 4:00pm</b> <b>Lesson 3 - Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> Nov at 4:00pm</b> <b>Lesson 4 - Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Nov at 4:00pm</b>	<b>Lesson 2 - Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> May at 4:00pm</b> <b>Lesson 3 - Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 4:00pm</b> <b>Lesson 4 - Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> June at 4:00pm</b>
<b>Retreat including Practice</b>  <b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Nov – 3:30pm</b> – St Martha's hall and church	<b>Retreat including Reconciliation and Rehearsal</b> <b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June – 2.30pm (15 minute break)</b> – St Martha's hall and church
<b>First Reconciliation Liturgy</b> <b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November – 7:00pm</b> – St Martha's church	<b>First Holy Communion Masses</b> - <b>Weekend of 23/24<sup>th</sup> June 2018</b> - 2 masses will be held. - Dates and times TBC

The sacramental programme requires a committed partnership between families, candidates & parish.

**The combined Enrolment Fee for First Reconciliation 2017 & First Holy Communion 2018 is \$140. This combined Fee covers the cost of workbooks and associated printing of resources, pins, necklaces, certificates and photographer (each sacrament is \$70).**

NB: No child will be excluded from participating in our Sacramental Program due to any financial concerns. Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please feel free to contact Father Jacek Cichy who is very open to your situation.

For further information please contact the Sacramental Co-ordinator via email [sc@stmarthas.org.au](mailto:sc@stmarthas.org.au)

Yours Sincerely,



Fr Jacek Cichy  
Parish Administrator

St Martha's Catholic Church  
**2017 First Reconciliation &  
 2018 First Holy Communion Enrolment Form**  
 (Please print or write legibly.)

**PLEASE COMPLETE ALL DETAILS AND RETURN TO THE PARISH OFFICE**  
 by **FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> September 2017.** Parish Address: 70 Homebush Rd, Strathfield NSW

**Candidate's Details**

Child's Full Name			
Date of Birth		Child's Gender	Male/Female
School Attends		Grade	

**Family Details**

Father's Full Name			
Father's Religion		Mobile	
Mother's First & Maiden Name			
Mother's Religion		Mobile	

**Contact Details**

Home Address		Ph:	
Email Address			

**Parish**

Could you assist as a parent Group Facilitator?  Yes  No

If Yes, please attend **Group Facilitator Meeting** on **Tues. 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 7pm** in the Parish Meeting Room.

Do you attend Mass weekly at St Martha's? If no,  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_  
 please state which Parish do you worship regularly at?

If Yes, which Mass(es)?  Sat 5:00pm  Sun 8am  Sun 10am  Sun 6pm

Are you registered and contribute via our weekly planned giving envelopes?  Yes  No

Would you like to contribute to our weekly planned giving?  Yes  No

<b>2017 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS PREFERENCE</b>	<b>TWO MASSES PROPOSED:</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> :	TBC
2 <sup>nd</sup> :	TBC

**Details of Candidate's Sacraments**

Parish where Baptised		Date	
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**COMMITMENT TO THE SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION:**

(To be read, discussed and signed by the candidate and parents/caregivers)

- I will willingly participate in preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation & First Holy Communion.
- I will attend all preparation sessions and participate in the activities and discussions throughout the program.
- I will complete all homework sheets and submit each week at Mass for both programs.
- I will attend the Information Sessions and Commitment Masses for both the Reconciliation and First Holy Communion programs.
- I will attend Mass at St Martha's Strathfield on a weekly basis especially throughout the period of both Sacramental programs.
- I will participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation as required before my First Holy Communion Mass.
- I will accept more responsibility in my family, parish and community, now and in the future.

If there are any issues/difficulties with meeting the above requirements, please make an appointment to see Fr Jacek.

**Fr Jacek** in consultation with the Sacramental team reserves the right to defer any candidate if the requirements stated above are not fulfilled by the candidate and family. *Fr Jacek's* decision will be final.

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Candidate's Signature

Mother's Signature

Father's Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash/chq encl.     I'm paying by credit card:     MasterCard     VISA    EXP:

Name on Card

Amt

**\$140.00**

Credit Card No

               

Signature on Card

Date

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**Office Use Only**

- Registration Form and payment received
- Baptismal Certificate attached

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Amt: \$140.00</b>
<b>Parish:</b>	

## CONSENT TO FILM OR PHOTOGRAPH A CHILD

Name of individual child/children:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Child/children)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ NSW Age/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ St Martha's Parish Strathfield

Parish Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_ Fr Jacek (Jack) Cichy

### 1. PHOTOGRAPHIC/VIDEO/AUDIO/COMMUNICATION RELEASE

I, \_\_\_\_\_ [name of parent/caregiver], of the abovementioned child/children, authorise St Martha's Parish, Strathfield and/or its approved nominees, to take and use photographs, video or sound recording and any reproductions or adaptations of the student's likeness ('the material'), either in full or part, in conjunction with any wording or drawings, in any St Martha's Parish publication, production and presentation. This includes electronic publications on the St Martha's Parish website.

*Note: children will not be identified by name (without additional consent).*  Yes  No

I also consent to the above material being used for promotional purposes in the media.

*Note: children will not be identified by name (without additional consent).*  Yes  No

I acknowledge that neither I/we nor the abovementioned child/children have any commercial rights in any St Martha's Parish publication, production or presentation which includes the material.

I/we understand that this material will not be provided to any third party, other than as set out in this document without our/my express consent.

### 2. WHAT HAPPENS TO THE CONSENT FORM ONCE IT IS FILLED OUT AND SIGNED?

The consent form will be placed in the sacramental file at St Martha's Parish.

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Signature of Parent / Guardian]

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Date]

\_\_\_\_\_  
[Signature of Parish Priest]

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[Date]