



**TERM 3
2023**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Candidates,
Attached is the application form for First Communion 2023 sacramental program.

ELIGIBILITY TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Your child must be in Year 3 or above in 2023
- Have received the Sacrament of Baptism and First Reconciliation.

ENROLMENTS CONCLUDE MONDAY 31st JULY 2023.

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

Please observe the following important dates:

<p>2023 First Holy Communion Dates for Year 3 and above.</p>
<p>Information Session Compulsory for one parent to attend (Both are welcome) <u>Monday 7pm Monday 31st July 2023</u> In the Church</p>
<p><i>1st lesson: <u>3:30pm Wed 2nd</u> or <u>3:30pm Sat 5th August</u></i> <i>2nd lesson: <u>3:30pm Wed 9th</u> or <u>3:30pm Sat 12th August</u></i> <i>3rd lesson: <u>3:30pm Wed 16th</u> or <u>3:30pm Sat 19th August</u></i></p> <p><i>All lessons will take place in the School Hall and Church</i></p>
<p><u>4th lesson + Rehearsal:</u> 3:30pm Wed 23rd or 3:30pm Sat 26th August</p>
<p>Sacrament Date: <u>12 noon Sunday 3rd September & 10th September 2023</u> (Subject to COVID Restrictions & Number of candidates)</p>

Enrolment Fee for First Holy Communion 2023 is \$50. (Cash or credit card)

This Fee covers the cost of workbooks, resources, pins, necklaces and certificates.

NB: No child will be excluded from participating in our Sacramental Program due to any financial concerns. Please contact Father John Hayes in confidence with your situation.

For further information please contact the Sacramental Co-ordinator via email sc@stmarthas.org.au

Yours Sincerely,

Father John Hayes
Parish Priest



St Martha's Catholic Church
2023 First Holy Communion

(Please print or write legibly.)

**PLEASE COMPLETE ALL
 DETAILS AND RETURN TO
 THE PARISH OFFICE**

by MONDAY 31st JULY 2023. Parish Address: 70 Homebush Rd, Strathfield NSW

Please circle your preferred dates:

Lessons WED or SAT

Sacrament date:

12pm Sun 3rd Sept
 or
 12pm Sun 10th Sept 2023

Or
 either.

**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	Contact Number:	
Email Address		

Parish

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

Details of Candidate's Sacraments – Please attach a copy of certificate

Parish where Baptised	Date	
Parish Of First Reconciliation	Date	



COMMITMENT TO THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

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

- I will willingly participate in preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion.
- I will attend all preparation sessions and participate in the activities and discussions throughout the program.
- I will complete all homework.
- I will attend the Information Session for the First Holy Communion program.
- I will attend Mass at St Martha's Strathfield on a weekly basis especially throughout the period of Sacramental preparation
- 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 Father John.

Father John 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.
Father John's decision will be final.

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Candidate's Signature

Mother's Signature

Father's Signature

Date:

Date:

Date:

Payment Options

Cash/chq enclosed \$50

I'm paying by credit card: MasterCard VISA EXP:

Name on Card Amt

\$50.00

Credit Card No

Signature on Card	Date
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Office Use Only

- Registration Form and payment received
- Baptismal Certificate attached
- First Reconciliation Certificate attached

Date:	Amt: \$50.00
Parish:	

CONSENT TO FILM OR PHOTOGRAPH A CHILD

Name of individual child _____

Address: _____

State: _____ NSW _____ Age/s: _____

Parish: _____ St Martha's Parish Strathfield _____

Parish Priest: _____ Father John Hayes _____

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]

[Date]