



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

"Lord be thy word my rule."

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Sacramental Preparation Part One – Reconciliation

Y3 children and any children in Y4, Y5 and Y6 who have not received Reconciliation and would like to.

I am writing on behalf of Father Julian to give you details of the programme for **Reconciliation** this year. You may be aware that in previous years, preparation has involved evening sessions for parents and children in Church. Once again this year, the children will be prepared to receive the sacraments during after school sessions in school. The sessions will be led by Mr Smith and will take place every Thursday (these started after October half term) from 3.20pm – 4.15pm.

Children must prepare for, and receive, the Sacrament of Reconciliation before they are able to receive First Holy Communion (prepared for and taken in Y4).

Children should attend all sessions although we understand that there may be rare occasions when this is not possible e.g. illness. During the session, Mr Smith will teach the children and children will be expected to share their learning and complete activities in their book at home with their family. There is also an expectation that the children attend Mass regularly at the weekend with their family. There is a cost of £10 for the sacramental books for the children to record their learning in.

Children will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at a special service at St. Joseph's Church on Wednesday 28th March 6.00pm.

Sessions for Part Two – First Holy Communion (Y4) will take place later on in the Spring term. Children in Year Four will receive First Holy Communion at a weekend parish Mass on Sunday 9th June 2024.

I would be grateful if you could return the reply slip below to indicate that you wish your child to prepare for and receive the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Rigby
Principal

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Name of child: _____

Class: _____

I wish my child to prepare for and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Signed: _____

Parent's name: _____
