



St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

"Lord be thy word my rule."

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Sacramental Preparation Part Two – First Holy Communion

Y4 children and any children in Y5 who have not received First Holy Communion and would like to.

I am writing on behalf of Father Julian to give you details of the programme for **First Holy Communion** 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 from 3.20pm – 4.15pm. These will start on Thursday 7th March and will run the 3 weeks up until the holidays and then continue after Easter.

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. Children will need to bring their preparation book purchased last year, if they need a new one these are £10 and can be purchased from the office.

Children will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion at a special service at St. Joseph's Church on Sunday 9th June.

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

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Rigby
Principal
