

FIRST FORGIVENESS (RECONCILIATION) AND COMMUNION

(THE EUCHARIST) PROGRAMME 2017.

Welcome to the Sacramental preparation programme, in St Mary of the Angels, 2017.

Preparation for the programme will take place in 2 parts;

- a) Regular Children's Liturgy sessions at St Mary of the Angels Church, Hooton, during 9.00 Sunday Mass.
- b) Some taught sessions in the classroom with Mrs Kane, Y3 teacher

Preparation for the programme is for all Catholic children in the parish, both those who are enrolled through the parish; and also pupils enrolled through our school.

As we said above, part of the preparation will take place in St Mary of the Angels Church, during the first part of Mass, the Liturgy of the Word.

Join the people in Mass; and, near the start, your child will be invited to go with the Liturgy leaders into the Children's Liturgy in the church hall, next door, to learn about God's Word, in a child-friendly way.

The dates for the Children's Liturgies are attached; and your child will need to attend these sessions, in order to complete the programme to make their First Sacraments.

Parents and others - stay in Mass; and wait for your children to return safely to you there, later in the Mass.

We commit to attend Mass, as part of the school/parish family. Here, your child can complete the preparation programme, to understand more about the Word of God; about the Holy Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Forgiveness); and the Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist (First Communion). You are most welcome in **your** church.

DATES OF THE PROGRAMME

Sunday 12th February 2017, 9.00 am; School Enrolment Mass.

Children attend this Mass with their parents, the children sit on the altar with teachers; and children on the programme will help with hymns, bearing the Gifts and readings. Towards the end of Mass, they receive a medal from Father Louis, which they can wear each week, as a symbol of their joining the Sacramental programme.

DATES OF THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY PREPARATION SESSIONS.

Your child attends these sessions as part of their preparation. Parents stay in church, & sessions are led by a Catechist in the hall. Masses start at 9.00am.

Please join us at the Children's Liturgy, during the 9.00 am Mass on the following Sundays:

12th March 2017

26th March 2017

9th April 2017

23rd April 2017

14th May 2017 (please wear your Communion clothes today!)

21st May 2017

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Forgiveness) will be on

WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH 2017 AT 6 PM, in St Mary's Church.

Children must make their First Forgiveness before they make their First Communion.

The Sacrament of the Eucharist (First Holy Communion) will be on

SATURDAY 13TH MAY 2017 AT 10 AM, in St Mary's, Hooton.

It's your church! You are very warmly welcomed!

Fr Louis Maggiore, parish priest; Deacon Tony Hunt; Mr Hughes, Headteacher; Mrs Kane, Y3 teacher.