

# SAINT PHILOMENA'S PARISH

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Parents/Guardians of Children receiving  
First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

### RE: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians

A new school year has begun and brings with it many new discoveries for all, as new gifts and talents are discovered and used. One gift that will be celebrated, in a particular way for families of children in second class, is that of faith in God who made us and loves us, as together we will prepare children for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. The time will pass very quickly, so we will start our preparation early in the school year.

To set the preparation in motion there will be a meeting & prayer service for **parents/guardians** who intend to present their child (who has been Baptised in the **Roman Catholic Church**) for the further commitment to faith in God as members of the **Roman Catholic Church**

- on Monday 11 September 2017
- in St Philomena's Church
- at 7.30p.m.

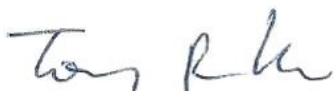
Please bring your child's **Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate** to the meeting. Baptismal certificates are available from the **Roman Catholic Parish Church** in which your child was baptised, if you do not have one in your possession already.

**A BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE PARISH FOR EVERY CHILD WHO WILL BE RECEIVING FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN 2018 BY 29 SEPTEMBER 2017.**

The meeting and prayer service will be facilitated by members of the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Liturgy Group. It will take approximately one hour.

We look forward to meeting with you and to discussing the practicalities of the year of preparation for the Sacraments at the meeting.

Every blessing on you and your family,



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Canon Tony Reilly PP