

Parish of St John Vianney  
First Holy Communion Preparation Programme

Church Attendance	Enrolment- registration form brought to a mass with a copy of Baptism certificate and £20 contribution. Parent/ child to enrol with catechist after mass on selected dates only. Please see list of dates overleaf. Child to be given leaflet 1 (Treasure hunt) to complete at home/ in church and book 'The Holy Mass' - to be completed at home.
Church Attendance	Hand in completed leaflet 1 to catechist after mass. The catechist will talk to you about it and hand it back. Child to be given leaflet 2 (Prayer) to complete at home/ in church.
Church Attendance	Hand in completed leaflet 2 to catechist after mass. The catechist will talk to you about it and hand it back. Child to be given leaflet 3 (Reconciliation) to complete in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession). Leaflet to be completed at home.
Church Attendance	Hand in completed leaflet 3 to catechist after mass. The catechist will talk to you about it and ensure that child is prepared for First Confession (Reconciliation). Leaflet to be handed back to child. A5 card given to child to support during reconciliation. Confessions take place in church, before the start of mass. Please arrive at least 20mins before the start of mass. If the priest isn't available or there is not enough time before the start of mass, then you will need to return to a different mass. After reconciliation, return the A5 card to catechist and ensure reconciliation leaflet is signed and dated by a catechist. Child to be given book 'Called to His Supper' and asked to complete up to and including p 23 at home.
Church Attendance	Catechist to go through pages 1-23 of 'Called to his supper' book with child after mass. Child asked to complete next section at home p.24- 48.
Church Attendance	Catechist to go over p. 24-48 of 'Called to his supper' book with child after mass. Child asked to complete last section of book at home – from p.49
Church Attendance	Catechist to go over from p 49 of 'Called to his Supper' book after mass. Catechist to discuss with child about Holy Communion and how to receive. Next session will be practise session - ensure child attends church where wants to make their First Holy Communion so can be written in diary. Bring completed 'Called to his Supper' book so that catechist knows all sections completed.
Church Attendance	Child to practise receiving Holy Communion. To discuss with families what will happen on the day of child making their FHC and for family to book a date. Information leaflet given to family. Date to be written in diary.
Church Attendance	To attend a mass to receive First Holy Communion.

**There may be occasions when there are not enough volunteers / catechists to support all the families who attend to review their leaflets/ books. On these occasions you may be asked to attend the following week.**

### Mass times

Thursday 6.30pm @ St Marks Church

Saturday 5.15pm @ Holy Family Church

Sunday 9.15am @ St Marks Church

Sunday 11am @ Holy Family Church

‘Little Church’ or Children’s Liturgy is available at the 3 weekend masses. This is where the children are invited to go out of the main mass, so that they can have prayers that are more appropriate for them. The priest will invite them to come to the front of church at the start of mass and they then go into a separate room with children’s liturgy leaders and return just before the offertory.

The welcomers in each church will let you know who the catechists/ children’s liturgy leaders are in church on the days you attend. Here is a list of their names, they will support you and your child during the preparation programme. The mass indicated is the mass that they usually attend but there will be occasions when they attend a different mass.

<b>St Marks Thursday 6.30pm mass</b> Ann Farrell Chris Myles	<b>Holy Family Saturday 5.15pm mass</b> Jayne Cross                      Kami Lester Chris Myles                      Sue Leck Tracey Hengler                      Tara Grice Kelly Nutall
<b>St Marks Sunday 9.15am mass</b> Anne Farrell                      Aggie Bednarska Steph Wyatt                      Liz Williams Janet Markey                      Paul Rawlinson Sara Wilson                      Emily Crompton	<b>Holy Family Sunday 11am Mass</b> Mary Lynch Claire Williams

### Registration dates

	<b>St Marks Church</b>	<b>Holy Family Church</b>
<b>September 2025</b>	Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>
<b>October 2025</b>	Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>
<b>November 2025</b>	Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>
<b>January 2026</b>	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> & Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>
<b>February 2026</b>	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>
<b>March 2026</b>	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>
<b>April 2026</b>	Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>