



Dear Parents

'I am the living bread from heaven,' says the Lord; 'whoever eats this bread will live forever.'

Jesus is the bread of life. It is he who nourishes and strengthens our faith. When we celebrate the Eucharist, we are participating with the whole community in the sacrifice that Jesus made when he died for us. When we receive the Body and Blood of Christ and take him into our hearts and lives, we receive eternal life. We believe that Jesus' strength and love becomes part of the bread and the wine, and when we receive this, we know that Jesus is with us in a special way.

Preparation for the Sacrament of first Eucharist is about to begin. We invite you and your Year 4 child to attend one of the Masses on the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> of May to enrol in the Sacramental programme.

Attending Mass is an important part of our Samaritan Identity and shows a strong connection between our school and parish community. We strongly encourage your family to attend a weekend Mass as a commitment to the sacramental programme.

Mass times are:

Saturday 6pm at St Teresa's Church

Sunday 9am at St Teresa's Church

Sunday 10.30am or 5.30pm at Our Lady Help of Christians Church

Some further dates for your information are:

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June (Week 7) – Parent and child evening, OLHC Church 7.00 - 7.30pm

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June (Week 7) – Workshop 1 at St Teresa's Campus

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June (Week 8) – Workshop 2 at St Teresa's Campus

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June (week 9) – Reconciliation evening St Teresa's Church 7.00pm

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Sacrament of First Eucharist**

This is a special and privileged time for your family and your Year 4 child. We hope that the celebration of First Eucharist is beautiful and memorable, remembering that the true focus of that holy and special day is the Sacrament itself as our Year 4 children are welcomed to the table of the Lord.

Please feel free to contact me through your Campus office if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours Sincerely

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