

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH, MARINO

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## Invitation to the Parish Preparation Programme for First Reconciliation & First Communion 2024-2025

Dear Parents, you and your son have started the journey towards the celebration of First Reconciliation (Confession) & First Holy Communion. While a lot of the preparation for these sacraments takes place at school, a key part of the preparation is done here in the Parish. This “**Do This in Memory**” Programme is designed to facilitate the active involvement of all in the Mass, but especially of the First Communion children.



We will start our preparation with a **short information meeting for parents in the church on TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER at 7.30pm** (This meeting will be repeated on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October and any Scoil Mhuire parents who cannot attend on the Tuesday are welcome to attend on Wednesday instead). \*

Another date for your diary is the **Enrolment Mass for all of the Communion children and their families in the church on Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 12.30pm.**

Attached is a sacramental application form. Please return the completed form & a copy of your child's baptismal cert to **the church**. As the celebration of the sacraments is the responsibility of the parish, **your child must be registered with the parish** in order to celebrate these sacraments. **The closing date for registration is WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25<sup>th</sup>.** (The sacristy letterbox can be accessed Mon – Sun, 9am – 5pm).

We also ask for a donation of €40 if possible, to help to defray the costs associated with the running of the programme.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to make contact with me.

We look forward to working with you and your children throughout the coming year!

Anne Dooley, Parish Catechist.

*\*This meeting is being held twice to facilitate everyone's attendance. If you are unable to attend either meeting, please get in touch.*