



5 February, 2023

Sacramental Commitment Masses 2023 Weekend of 18/19 February or Weekend of 25/26 February

Dear Sacramental Parents

The OLA Parish Based Sacramental Commitment masses have been scheduled for the above stated dates. Fr Ken has kindly extended the days by including the 18/19 February as another weekend in case you're unable to attend 25/26 February. Students are only required to attend one commitment mass on either weekend. Those students not receiving the sacraments or are non-Catholics are not required to attend any of the commitment masses. The OLA Parish Weekend Masses are:

Saturdays: 6.00pm

Sundays: 7.30am

Sundays: 9.30am

Sundays: 5.00pm

Attached to this letter is the commitment document which will need to be completed and submitted at one of the commitment masses you attend. A labelled basket will be situated at the back of the church, on the offertory table, next to the hosts and wine. All students are requested to place their commitment sheets in the basket before mass commences. During the offertory, the basket will be taken up to the altar by a member of the community and given to Fr Ken.

At a particular time during the mass (usually after communion and prior to the concluding prayer) Fr Ken will ask the sacramental students and their parents to stand in their pews and make a commitment. This commitment pledge (on the second page) will be displayed on the screens.

Yours sincerely,

Greg Martin

Principal





Commitment for Sacramental Candidates

This completed document is to be placed in the basket on the offertory table prior to the commencement of the weekend mass you're attending. There is no need to advise Fr Ken you're present. He will know by the commitment sheets in the basket.

Please ensure the section at the bottom is completed.

Fr Ken: Could all those children who will be making their Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or Confirmation please stand. My dear parents and children, the Parish welcomes you here today.

Fr Ken: Let us pray, God our loving Father, we ask you to send the Holy Spirit on each of these candidates and their families as they begin preparation for the sacraments. Candidates, are you fully aware that you are beginning a program which will lead you to a deepening of your understanding of Christ and his Church?

Candidates: Yes, I am.

Fr Ken: Candidates, are you willing to participate and co-operate in this preparation program?

Candidates: Yes, I am.

Fr Ken: Parents, are you prepared to support your child in the preparation for their sacrament by word and example and also participate by actively supporting your children and attending Parish Masses?

Parents: Yes, I am.

Fr Ken: Candidates, on behalf of the Parish Community, I accept your enrolment as a candidate for our Sacramental program. The Parish Community will pray for all of you during this special time of preparation.

Candidate's Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

