

# *Parish of the Holy Cross*

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## **To the parents of children currently preparing for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion**

May I thank all of you for supporting your children in their preparation for First Reconciliation and for your attendance at parent's meetings over the past three weeks. There was only one preparation meeting left, which would have been this evening. However, as I know you are all aware due to the Coronavirus Covid19 outbreak, gatherings such as we have been having have had to stop for the wellbeing of all.

Therefore, sadly, I have to inform you that there will be no meeting this evening. The Service for First Reconciliation due to take place next Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> March is now postponed to some future date.

Also affected is the proposed programme for First Holy Communion preparation which is suspended until further notice and as a result the celebration of that Sacrament will not be happening on the Sundays of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of May. (The May procession is also cancelled.) When things are back to anything resembling normality will be begin again and look at other dates.

The draw will still be made at the Sunday Masses of the names of the children present from the Sacramental programme for the Parish Queens and Cushion bearers for 2020, irrespective of whether Club Day takes place or not this year, because the children will have Parish duties to perform.

Regards, with prayers!

Fr Andrew