

ST IOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PARISH NAMBOUR

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Dear Parents and Carers,

You wish your child to prepare for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** this year. May the Holy Spirit be with you and your family and bring you much joy as you prepare to celebrate with your child. As you know, the process has changed in the Archdiocese of Brisbane recently. This year we are offering **Confirmation** for children in Year 4. The completion of the journey for **Year 4** follows this timeline:

YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
Confirmation with Second Rite of Reconciliation	Holy Eucharist with Second Rite of Reconciliation During Easter Season	First Rite of Reconciliation During Lent

The dates for preparation for **Confirmation** this year 2024 are:

- Parent Information Evening (option I)
 Thursday 11th July, at 7pm.
- Parent Information Evening (option II):
 Thursday 18th July, at 7pm.
- Enrolment Liturgy at all Masses on the Weekend of 20th, 21st July.
- 4. In the weeks following there will be **four** sessions in which parents and children along with a leader will explore the Sacrament of Confirmation.

These four sessions will take place during the weeks beginning:

27/28th July – 17/18th August. Times: 5pm before Mass each Saturday **OR** 9.15am after Mass each Sunday

- 5. Retreat/Penitential Liturgy:
 - Friday 23rd August at 7pm.
- 6. Rehearsal for Confirmation:

Friday 23rd August at 7pm

7. Children's Confirmation at St Joseph's will then be held on Saturday 24th August, during the 6pm Mass.

Parents are asked to bring children to the Community Centre by 5.30pm on Saturday the 24th August. They will be under the supervision of teachers and team leaders. Sashes will be fitted. Please keep your Sash and wear it to the First Communion Mass next year.

After the Confirmation, families and friends are invited to share supper in the Gathering Area. Photos will be taken of the Confirmation cake which will be cut and distributed.

We pray that preparing your child to receive these Sacraments will be a rewarding experience for you and your child. If you need to discuss anything further please ring the Office on 5441 1034.

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