

PRESENTATION DAYS

On three Sundays during the programme a presentation will be made to each child at the 9.30am Mass at St Patrick's Church, Greymouth. For example, the first presentation will be a copy of the Bible. The children will need these presentations for the following worksheets. It is important that the children are at Mass for these presentations.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation (or 'confession' as we used to call it) will be celebrated on
Sunday, 29 May, 5.00pm

REHEARSAL

Friday 17 June 5.30pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion is celebrated on
Sunday 19th June 2022
9.30am Mass



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2022 TIMELINE

Sunday 27 February

First Parent Meeting 5.00pm
St Patrick's Church Parish Centre

Sunday 6 March

Enrolment and Presentation of Bible

Sunday 20 March

Presentation of the Creed &
10 Commandments

Sunday 27th March

Second Parent Meeting 5.00pm

Sunday 1 May

Third Parent Meeting 5.00pm

Sunday 8 May

Presentation of Mass Books
and the Our Father

Sunday 29th May

Fourth Parent Meeting 5.00pm
First Reconciliation at 5.00pm
St Patrick's Church
Fish and Chips Meal

Friday 17 June 5.30pm

First Communion Rehearsal

Sunday 19th June

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
9.30am Mass

St Patrick's Church Greymouth
or Child's Parish Church

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION for your child 2022



The Catholic Parish of Greymouth

incorporating the churches of

St Patrick's
Holy Rosary
Sacred Heart
St Patrick's

Greymouth
Cobden
Ngahere
Kumara

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ENROLMENT FORM

CHILD'S NAME and DATE OF BIRTH

PARENT'S NAME:

ADDRESS:

EMAIL: _____

PHONE: _____

DATE and PLACE OF BAPTISM:

A photocopy please if not baptised in
Greymouth

DATE _____

CHURCH: _____

PLACE: _____

Please complete and detach this enrolment
form and return to the Greymouth Parish
Office, 40 High Street, Greymouth
or give it to a Priest

At your child's baptism you promised to be
your child's first teacher in the ways of faith.

*So how has it been going?
What does your child know about God?
Have you taught your child how to pray?
Do you bring your child to Mass?*

Perhaps this is a good time to reflect on
*your own faith life - how is it going?
How is your prayer life?*

This sacramental programme for First
Reconciliation and First Holy Communion
provides a wonderful opportunity for you to
renew your own faith as we, the parish and
you, prepare your child to receive these
two sacraments.

HOW OLD DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO BE?

Your child needs to be eight years old at
the beginning of the school year
AND in Year 4 upwards.

HOW LONG IS THE PROGRAMME?

The programme begins 5.00pm Sunday
the 21st February at St Patrick's Church
Parish Centre and goes through the first
and second school terms, concluding with
First Holy Communion on
Sunday 13th June 2021.

WHAT COST IS INVOLVED?

There is a one-off cost of
\$50.00 per child

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

...come to Mass

The whole point of the programme is to
prepare your child to receive Jesus in First
Holy Communion. So the first and most
important thing is...

*Look at **your** commitment to coming to
Mass. You can't say First Communion is
important to your child if you're not
attending Mass regularly.*

***As your child's first teacher in the ways of
faith you need to teach by example.***

PARENT MEETINGS

There are four parent meetings that are
held on a Sunday evening at 5.00pm in St
Patrick's Church Parish Centre.

The parent meetings are to prepare you to
guide your child through each of the
twelve lessons.

The programme is fairly self explanatory;
there is a parents' guide and children's
worksheets for each lesson. The parent
meetings are also important for explaining
what is not in the programme and for
sharing teaching techniques and ideas
that may be helpful. If there is no one at
home to look after your children, you are
welcome to bring them with you. They
may bring quiet activities and be in the
meeting room.