



ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope you are doing well!

Unfortunately due to COVID-19 the sacramental programme was suspended thus pushing back the lessons for First Reconciliation and First Communion. A revised version of the programme has been put together and the children have recommenced the First Reconciliation Programme which seems to be going along well. It is planned that the First Communion programme will be of a similar nature commencing by the end of Term 3 or the beginning of Term 4. At this stage it is not certain as to when the actual ceremonies will take place.

As per the usual Parish schedule, Term 3 is the time for the sacramental programme to take place in relation to Confirmation. After much consideration I have decided to CANCEL the Confirmation programme for 2020, as there is no time for the lessons to take place as well as organise an effective time for enrolments. As you are well aware this is a Parish based programme encompassing not only the Catholic Primary school but the Public schools within the boundaries of the Parish. I do apologise for any inconvenience and I thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Normally in Term 4 the Parish releases dates in relation to the Sacramental Programme for the upcoming year covering the enrolment periods, dates of the classes as well as the dates for the reception of the actual sacrament. This will not be the case for 2021 as it is still very unclear what the future has in store. As time progresses we will update Parishioners either by the Parish Bulletin, Website (www.stpaulsmossvale.org.au), FaceBook page (St Paul's Catholic Parish, Moss Vale) or YouTube channel (St Paul's Parish Catholic Church).

Once again, Thank you for your understanding and cooperation and let us pray that an end to this pandemic comes and we can start to resume a normal form of life.

God bless

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Parish Priest

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Sacramental Coordinator

