

# With You Always

## Archdiocesan Sacramental Preparation Programme



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

### Baptism



### Reconciliation

1<sup>st</sup> week of Advent



Holy Communion during the Pentecostal season followed by a school celebration once all have received.

Information sent home to Y3 families, with their child's report, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017.



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(Rite of Baptism)

***Pope Francis offers encouraging words for parents and their educational mission in the family, 20 May 2015***

I hope that the Lord will give Christian families the faith, the freedom and the courage necessary for their mission. If family education rediscovers the pride of its leadership, many things will change for the better, for hesitant parents and for disappointed children.

It is time that fathers and mothers return from their exile and reassume fully their educational role. We hope that the Lord will give parents this grace: not to exile themselves from the education of their children. And only love, tenderness and patience can do this.

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A child's sacramental preparation will begin in September, in their parish, whether that be their geographical parish or where the family regularly worship. If in doubt Mrs Anne Fearon at St Joseph's and St Helen's Office can advise you, phone her on 0151 924 3417 or email [sthelenscrosby@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sthelenscrosby@hotmail.co.uk)

**If your child has as yet to be baptised their baptism preparation needs to be organised also because of this parishes have asked that you get in touch with them IMMEDIATELY.**

*Parents are sometimes concerned that their child won't be making the sacraments with their friends. Our experience has been that children who regularly worship at their parishes family mass and attend Little Church soon get to know the other children they will be prepared alongside.*

*Ursuline staff have celebrated our children's sacramental celebrations in many different parishes, including: St Joseph's; St Helen's; SS Peter & Paul; St Edmund's; St Thomas'; St William of York; Our Lady Star of the Sea, Seaforth; St Robert Belarmine's, Litherland; St John's, Kirkdale; St James, Bootle; Our Lady of Victories, Hightown; St Teresa's, Birkdale and St Anthonys, Scotland Road.*

*We then all come together in school for our own Thanksgiving Celebration at the end of June.*

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#### What to do now:

- If your child needs to be baptised get in touch with your parish IMMEDIATELY so as to arrange their preparation.
- If you are unsure of your parish contact Mrs Anne Fearon on 0151 924 3417 or email [sthelenscrosby@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sthelenscrosby@hotmail.co.uk)
- **Collect and complete a Sacramental Enrolment Form from your parish BEFORE THE END OF THIS TERM and return it to them. You will be asked to show or give a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate.**
- Then, in September, school will ask you where your child has been enrolled so that we can make arrangements to attend the various celebrations beginning with Reconciliation in Advent.