



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (2021) REGISTRATION FORM



This form must be completed and returned with all documents, photos and fee and submitted to one of the priests / office of St. Mary's Church no later than **11th January 2021**

Please use **CAPITAL LETTERS** when you fill the form making sure that the child's name is the same as the birth certificate

Child's Details

Surname: _____ Forename(s): _____

Date of Birth: _____ Current School: _____

Date of Baptism: _____ Name of Church attending: _____

Catholic	
Yes	No

Father's (or Guardian's) Name:

Surname: _____ Forename: _____ Religion: _____

Mother's Name:

Surname: _____ Forename: _____ Religion: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Tel No: Home: _____ Work: _____ Mobile: _____

Please use CAPITAL LETTERS to fill in the e-mail address

e-mail Address:

I/We agree the following:

- To bring my child/ children weekly to all sessions.
- To attending mass regularly.
- Respect each other in the sessions by listening and not talking over people
- Assist your child with their homework provided to them at each of the sessions (approx. 1 hour per week)

I/We confirm to undertake to support my child our children through the programmes of Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion course.

Signed.....Date:
(Parent(s) / Guardian

Enclosures

Photo of child and adult who will accompany child
Baptismal certificate of child and 1 of parent/carer
£20.00 fee for book/materials

Checked by.....

Date received

Father Peter Sabastian is the leading priest for the Sacrament. His e-mail address is: petersabastian@rcaos.org.uk



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Consent Form for Taking Pictures at Church and Putting Them on the Church's Website

Photo Release Form.

I/we hereby grant permission to St. Mary's Church, to use my child / children's photos on its Web site or in other official church printed publications without further consideration.

I/we acknowledge the church has the right to crop or treat the photograph(s) at its discretion.

I/we also acknowledge that the church may choose not to use my photograph(s) at this time, but may do so at its own discretion at a later date from the date of when the photograph was taken.

I/we also understand that once my image is posted on the church's website, the image can be downloaded by any computer user, anywhere in the world.

Therefore, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the church, its priests, deacons, its members and designees from any claims arising out of the use of the photograph(s).

The church reserves the right to discontinue use of any photograph(s) without notice.

I/ we hereby give permission / don't give permission (**Please delete as appropriate**) to use any still and/or moving image being video footage, photographs and/or frames and/or audio footage depicting my/our children named below.

Name of Parent/Guardian.....

Signed.....

Date.....

*Passport
Style
Photo
child

ST MARY'S RC CHURCH
(Our Lady of Reparation)
West Croydon

**Passport
Style
Photo

APPOINTMENT TO ACT IN LOCO PARENTIS

This form must be completed and signed by the parent or legal guardian of the child.

Please use **black ink** and capital letters.

The completed signed form should be carried by the person appointed by the parent, and named below, accompanying the named child to Reconciliation/1st Communion preparation classes on Saturdays.

This form should be countersigned by Lead Catechist, Parish Safeguarding Representative or Parish Priest.

Details of Child and Parent

Child's First Name (print) Surname.....

Date of Birth..... Age

Parent/Guardian Name (print).....

Details of person appointed with parental responsibility

Name**

I consent to the above named* acting in loco parentis.

Parent Signature Date

***Countersignature Date

Place a copy in the child's file.

Fr Peter Sabastian Leading Priest.	Robert Haddad & Paola Servini Lead Catechists.	Sarah Divilly-Bastiani Parish Safeguarding Rep.
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To: Parents preparing their children for their 1st Reconciliation and 1st Holy Communion

Dear Parents

Welcome to St Mary's Church 1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion Preparation. On behalf of the catechists we are delighted to welcome you and your child as we look forward to accompanying your family on this significant stage of your child's faith journey.

The Sacraments of Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion are important sacraments for your child, for all your family and indeed for our Church and the whole community to which we belong. We wish you every blessing as we embark on this journey together.

If there is any further information you need now or as the course develops please speak to one of the catechists at the end of the sessions.

We want your child to enjoy this preparation time and ask you to look on it as an opportunity for your family to grow in faith, and in your knowledge and love of God, together.

We ask you and your child for all your support and co-operation to help make this preparation time a blessing for us all.

Parish Policy

The parish recognizes that you are the primary teachers of your children in their faith and it is our sincere desire to work alongside you and your child to prepare for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Holy Communion which are important steps in the life of your child.

Parents Role

As parents you have the most important role in the preparation process, which is primarily:

- ♥ to accompany your child to Mass
- ♥ to pray for and with your child
- ♥ to witness to your faith by your family lifestyle and conversation
- ♥ to prepare for and attend the diarised preparation sessions with them

Your support and encouragement during the process is vital to the Catechists and to your child's faith development. Sports events, parties and other such competing attractions must come second to First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion preparation.

First Reconciliation

Reconciliation is a special sacrament of healing and forgiveness. It will help your children to grow in awareness of the choices they make and enable them to feel closer to God.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion is a special time when your children are welcomed into the body of the Church and begin to take a more active part in the parish community.

Attendance

Each child must be brought and picked up promptly from all sessions. We must be made aware in writing of all people authorised by you (the parent / guardian) to collect your child / children.

Please find online or from the Parish office a form giving parental responsibility to a person other than the parent/guardian. **(Appointment to act in loco parentis)**

If your child is unwell or there is a valid reason why you cannot attend, please let your catechist know in advance of the session via e-mail

We ask parents to prepare at home in advance of each session.

All **follow-up home activities** should be completed as this is a vital part of the process – giving you and your child an opportunity for quiet time together with each other and with God.

For child protection purposes a register will be taken at each session and if your child misses three sessions in a term, without good reason, you will be asked to contact Fr Peter to discuss this.

Sessions will begin on time 10:45 am – 11:45 am. We ask everyone to be punctual for all sessions in consideration of others in your group. If you arrive late, you not only disrupt the class, but you may miss a vital part of the preparation.

Please support your catechists as much as possible; they give their time freely to support you and your children and this preparation course cannot be provided without their time and effort.

We will be adhering to the 2 meter distancing. Adults will be required to wear a face mask while on the premises.

All children must bring their own writing materials as there will be NO lending of items due to Covid-19 restrictions.

Please be aware there will be NO toilet facilities available as per Diocesan guidelines.

For any further guidance or help please contact your catechist.