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SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (YEAR 5)
2026**

ENROLMENTS SHALL OPEN APPROXIMATELY MAY



Hi Year 5 Parents!

If your child received the Sacrament of Eucharist (First Holy Communion) last year, then it is time to receive Sacrament of Penance in the 1st Rite (i.e. individual confession) this year!

Last year in Year 4, your child received Penance in the 2nd Rite before s/he received Communion. Do you remember that everyone gathered in a big group to do a little Liturgy of the Word and then each child was called up for individual confessions with Fr Michael. So this was the Sacrament of Penance...but with training wheels!

This year, with the Sacrament of Penance in the 1st Rite, your child will do individual confession in a 10 minute timeslot (just like parent-teacher interviews). So the training wheels are now off! Your child will simply receive the grace of confession like adults do; we book in a time with a priest, asking God for healing, Grace and forgiveness.

This is a 'save the date' page so that you can plot these dates in your calendars early.

In approximately May, we will publish the Enrolment Pack for this sacrament here on the parish website. So keep an eye out in the parish newsletter, school newsletters and parish website to enrol your child.

Blessings,

Alex and Sandy
Mother of Mercy & St Agathas' Parishes Sacramental Team



YEAR 5- Penance 1st Rite <i>This will be the final 'Penance only' program.</i> <i>From now on, our Parishes will run Penance alongside First Holy Communion with Year 4s.</i>		
Session: Penance Family Workshop (parent + individual child) 1.5 hr duration/ Booking required. You can attend any session, no matter what parish you belong to. You are welcome across both parishes!		
Term 3 (Week 3)		
Wednesday 29th July	4:30pm	St Agatha's Church
Friday 31st July	6:30pm	OLHC Church
Individual Confessions (10 minute slots like Parent-teacher interviews)		
Term 3 (Week 9)		
Tuesday 8 th Sept	From 3:00 to evening	St Agatha's Church
Wednesday 9 th Sept	From 3:00 to evening	OLHC Church