

## Dear Parent/Guardian,

As we make the final preparations for First Holy Communion we wanted to make you aware of the ceremony arrangements on the day.

- ❖ Each family will have a designated seat with the child's name clearly displayed on the ledge in front. The child should sit at the position of their name label.
- ❖ In line with Covid19 restrictions, a maximum of seven people will be allowed in the seat. All adults attending the First Holy Communion Mass are requested to wear a face mask or covering.
- ❖ The ceremony will be available to watch live on the parish webcam.
- Mass booklets will be provided in the seats for the children and family members.
- ❖ The children will proceed first to the altar to receive their Holy Communion. When all the First Communicants have received, then family members and friends can proceed to the altar as usual.
- Just before the end of the ceremony, the children will walk to the altar, where a group photograph can then be taken.
- The Archdiocesan Pastoral Team has produced a series of First Communion Video Resources to help the children of the Archdiocese prepare for First Communion. The video series explores the mass and its importance in the preparation for First Holy Communion.

  This resource is available at <a href="https://www.armaghprays.com/first-communion-video-resources">https://www.armaghprays.com/first-communion-video-resources</a>
- ❖ The children have been given a First Holy Communion Workbook which should be completed at home.

Thank you all for your cooperation in these matters and I hope you and your child have a wonderful day and share many happy moments on this special occasion.

Yours Sincerely,
Brighid Hughes