

# St Thomas Aquinas Parish



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I invite you and your child to be part of the Confirmation Program in our parish this year.

Children in **Year 6 or older**, who have **not yet** received Confirmation, **and have** received Reconciliation and First Communion, are invited to participate.

**Confirmation will take place on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 7.00pm**

The preparation for this sacrament is centered at home where parents, with the aid of a booklet and notes, help their child to come to know the Lord. At the same time there will be weekly meetings (**maximum 45 - 60 minutes duration undertaken via ZOOM**) where parents and children come together in small groups to share their experiences. These meetings are led by a member of the group. The program will run for a period of 4 weeks from the week starting 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021. It is a compulsory component of the Sacrament for your child (and parent) to attend these zoom meetings.

***We will only be undertaking this year's Sacramental Program via ZOOM as next year we anticipate being back to normal.***

*If you feel that either you or your child are not ready to make this step, please feel free to delay it to a later date. If, however, you wish to participate in the program, you are required to attend two meetings: the first **compulsory** Parent Meeting is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm AND the second **compulsory** meeting on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm, both in the Church.*

**Commitment of the Candidates will take place at any of the Parish Masses on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July or Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July. You will need to complete the enrolment form and bring the form and a copy of your child's Baptism Certificate to any of the Parish Masses that weekend. Enrolment forms are handed out at the first **compulsory** Parent Meeting.**

**Please note that if you wish your child to participate in the Confirmation Program in 2021, it is compulsory to attend BOTH Parent Meetings.**

Yours in Christ

Fr Paul Slyney PP  
PARISH PRIEST OF SPRINGWOOD and LAWSON

**DIARY DATE:**  
Confirmation practice will  
be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>  
August at 3.30pm for  
approx. 45 mins