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We are an Operation Encompass School

First Holy Communion

Dear Parents/carers

Year 4 children who are baptised Catholic are invited to take their First Holy Communion. If you wish to express interest in this, you will need to speak to Father Keith Walker after Mass on Sunday at St Gregory's Parish. Mass at St Gregory's commences at around **9.25 am**.

The following dates have been arranged with the catechists for this year's **FHC programme.** Your child will need to attend Mass on these dates and then attend the 30-40-minute sessions after Mass.

The dates are as follows:

25.2.24 Session 1

17.3.24 Session 2

28.4.24 Session 3

12.5.24 Session 4

9.6.24 Session 5

Your child will make their First Holy Communion on Saturday the 15th of June at 10am. Details about this special day will follow nearer the time. A photographer has already been booked for that morning, and we usually invite children to come along from 9am onwards to get their individual photographs and then a group photograph. Again, more details will follow about this; including FHC outfit requirements.

The date of their **First Confession is to be confirmed** and we will give you the date and time of this very soon.

Please note, parents do not need to attend the above sessions after Mass. They can join the other parishioners in the hall for refreshments. The children will be brought to you once the sessions are finished.

Kind regards

Mrs Blackwood