

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

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St Peter and Paul Parish First Holy Communion Program is an at-home preparation program which revolves around attendance at Mass as a member of the parish community. Parents journey with their child in preparing for First Holy Communion by taking them through their workbooks and reflection sheets at home, and then attending Mass to hand in the completed work. In this way both parent and child participate as a family in their Faith.

In order to successfully complete the program the following requirements must be met before the candidate can receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion:

- Candidate must be in year 3 or above and have made the Sacrament of Reconciliation, or be currently enrolled in our First Reconciliation Program.
- Attendance at a Parent Information Night (at least one parent/guardian must attend)
- Attendance at a Commitment Mass (candidate and at least one parent/guardian)
- Attendance at Mass to hand in the worksheets (candidate and at least one parent/guardian)

All dates are in the table overleaf – please plan your diary accordingly so that you don't miss the cut-off dates as you may be forced to wait until next year for your child to receive the sacrament.

If you are unable to commit to these requirements then you are asked to wait until next year to enrol your child.

Enrolments close on Friday, 11 September 2025.

Please enrol online at:

<https://www.kiamacatholicchurch.com.au/eucharist>

If you have trouble enrolling online, or if meeting the cost of the program (\$35) will be difficult for you, please contact the Parish Office on 4232 2081 or kiamo@dow.org.au.

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DATE	PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
27 February to 11 September	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ENROLMENTS OPEN</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Enrol and pay online at https://www.kiamacatholicchurch.com.au/eucharist</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NB: If your child made their First Reconciliation IN A DIFFERENT PARISH, you will need to upload a copy of their Baptism certificate in order to complete their enrolment. If you cannot find their certificate, please contact the parish of Baptism.</p>
Friday, 11 September	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ENROLMENTS CLOSE</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Enrolment will no longer be possible after this date.</p>
<p>Tuesday, 15 September – 7:00pm OR Thursday, 17 September – 7:00pm <i>(runs for approximately 1 ½ hours)</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ss Peter and Paul Church Kiama</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Attendance at one evening by at least one parent or guardian is compulsory. Candidate does not have to attend.</p>
<p>Saturday, 19 September – 6:00pm OR Sunday, 20 September – 5:00pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>COMMITMENT MASS</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ss Peter and Paul Church Kiama.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(Candidate and one parent/guardian must be present at Mass)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>FROM THE WEEKEND OF 10/11 OCTOBER TO 14/15 NOVEMBER</u></p> <p>Reflection sheets are to be handed in at an evening Mass in Kiama, (6:00pm Saturdays, 6:00pm Sundays) - <u>one sheet per weekend</u>. <i>The weekends do not have to be consecutive.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Please note the change of time for the Sunday evening Mass.</i></p> <p>There will be 4 reflection sheets corresponding to the lessons in the student workbook.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>WEEKEND 1</u> – Hand in Reflection sheet 1. • <u>WEEKEND 2</u> – Hand in Reflection sheet 2. • <u>WEEKEND 3</u> – Hand in Reflection sheet 3 • <u>WEEKEND 4</u> – Hand in Reflection sheet 4 and the completed workbook. <p style="text-align: center;">The candidate and at least one parent/guardian must be present at each Mass when handing in the reflection sheet. The children will be called up during Mass to place their sheet into a box in front of the altar.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">NB: The cut-off weekend for returning Reflection Sheet 4 and the completed workbook is Saturday 5 September, 6:00pm and Sunday 6 September, 5:00pm</p>	
<p>Thursday, 19 November 9:00am to 2:30pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION RETREAT DAY</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ss Peter and Paul Parish Hall, Kiama The Candidate only needs to attend.</p>
<p>Feast of Christ the King Saturday, 21 November – 10:00am</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CELEBRATION OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ss Peter & Paul Church, Kiama</p>