



# St Gertrude's Parish Smithfield

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## CONFIRMATION 2018 – SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018, 2 pm & 4 pm ST BENEDICT'S SHRINE, SMITHFIELD

Dear Parents,

Children in Year 6 and above, who have made their Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, are eligible to enrol for the Confirmation Programme. Enrolments will be accepted when parents and children present the completed attached form during:

### **THE CEREMONY OF ENROLMENT AT MASSES IN ST. GERTRUDE'S PARISH 24/25 February OR 3/4 March 2018.**

**Please Note: If your child DID NOT make their Baptism or First Communion here at St Gertrude's Parish, you will need to hand in the ORIGINAL Baptismal and ORIGINAL First Communion Certificates, in a plastic sleeve or envelope, together with the completed Enrolment Form. Letters/certificates can be obtained from the Parish where these Sacraments were celebrated.**

Mass Times are as follows:

St. Benedict's – Saturday Vigil 6 pm, Sunday 10:30 am, 6 pm,  
St. Therese's – 7:30 am and 9 am

### **LATE ENROLMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

The preparation for Confirmation for enrolled children consists of

- **Information Night for Parents – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 7:30 pm in the Montefano Hall**
- **Parent's Only Workshop – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 7:30 pm in the Montefano Hall**
- **5 Group Sessions for parents and children, weeks beginning 5/6 May, 12/13 May, 19/20 May, 26/27 May, plus Week 5 (please see details below for Week 5)**
- **During the 5<sup>th</sup> week, Candidates will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This will take place between 2<sup>nd</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June. You will be notified which session to attend at the Parent night.**
- **Retreat day held at St Gertrude's School - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 9 am to 3 pm.**
- **Rehearsal for ceremonies**

All these requirements are **compulsory** and need your consideration prior to enrolment. Only candidates who have met **all requirements** will be eligible to receive Confirmation in 2018.

Please note: Parents, please be aware, if you do not attend the Information Night AND Parent Workshop, your child may also be asked to re-enroll the following year. The parent meeting and workshop is an essential part of parent formation, regardless of whether this is your first child receiving the Sacrament or your third child.

You may choose one (1) additional family ONLY to be part of your Group.

The Confirmation sessions will be held in the Parish Office Meeting Rooms – 6 Justin St, Smithfield 2164.

On your enrolment forms, please number 3 time slots in order of preference.

Should you have any questions regarding the programme please call us on 9725 4317 (Tuesday or Friday).

May God bless you and keep you in his care.

Helena Mertin  
Sacramental Co-Ordinator

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