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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Due to the restructuring of the Sacramental programs in St Gertrude's Parish, the following changes will be taking place:

- From 2019, the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will now be taking place together in the first half of the year. Children who have been Baptised and are in Year 3 and above will be eligible to enroll. **Accordingly, there will be NO First Reconciliation sacramental program (for Year 2) at St Gertrude's Parish in 2018, to allow for this change.**
- Enrolments for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2019 (for current Year 2 students) will take place in November 2018.
- From 2019, the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in the second half of the year.
- Families with Baptised children in Year 3 and above who have not made their first Reconciliation, will need to make an appointment with the Sacramental Office before the end of July, to discuss options for 2018/2019.
- First Holy Communion 2018 enrolments for children in Year 3 and above, who have made their First Reconciliation, will take place 23/24 June and 30 June/1 July. Enrolment forms will be distributed early next month.

For more information, please contact the Sacramental Office Tuesday/Friday 9725 4317 or email sacraments@stgertrude.org.au.

Yours sincerely,

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