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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

There will be a number of changes to the Parish-based Sacramental program this year.

The first change is that the Sacrament of Reconciliation will move to Year 4. Since students in Year 3 completed the Sacrament of Reconciliation last year this will not affect students until 2021.

In-line with the Catholic Church's teaching that parents and carers are the first educators, you will play a significant role in the preparation of their children for each Sacrament. The school will continue to support the student's preparation as part of the Religious Education curriculum.

Attached to this letter is a letter from Fr Tom Thornton in regards to an information session for those wishing for their children to receive either Sacrament this year. If you are unable to make either time, please contact Fr Tom directly through the parish email charnwood@cg.org.au or by phone (02) 6258 1563.

Sincerely

Leah Taylor

Principal

3 February 2020

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## 2020 - CATHOLIC PARENTS for children in Year 4 and Year 6:

If you wish your child to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2020 you need to do the following:

- Attend a meeting after mass on <u>either</u> the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2020 after the 6pm mass or
- Attend a meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020 after the 9am mass.

At that meeting I will explain what is required of you to ensure your child is eligible to receive this sacrament, the timetable and other essentials.

Enrolment for these sacraments can only take place as a result of being at either meeting.

Please place the dates in the diary and come along.

Fr Tom Thornton

Parish Priest