

HOLY TRINITY PARISH SOUTHWEST BALLARAT

(Incorporating St. Aloysius Redan, St. Brigid's Snake Valley, St. Peter's Linton,
St. James' Sebastopol & St. John's Skipton)

SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST (FIRST HOLY COMMUNION)

For Baptised Catholics who have been Confirmed and celebrated their Reconciliation.

Dear Parents/Carers,

You are receiving this email as your child received the Sacrament of Confirmation and Reconciliation in one of our parishes last year. The final step in your child's sacramental initiation is the Sacrament of Eucharist (First Holy Communion).

The process for the Sacrament of Eucharist will begin on **Tuesday, April 28th 2026**, with a compulsory information session for parents. You have the option to attend at either 10.00am or 5.30 pm at St. James' Church on the corner of Albert Street & Vale Street Sebastopol. At this session we hope that the majority of questions will be answered and you will come away with a clearer idea of what is expected as part of the program. **Please bring along your trifold certificate.**

As part of the preparation your child will need to attend four weekend Masses during which they will participate in Dismissals. During these Dismissals the children will be taken into quiet spaces outside the church where they will work with members of the sacramental team to prepare to celebrate the Sacrament. These discussions will be based on the resource 'Let the Children Come' which is produced by the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat.

Dismissal 1 – Weekend 2nd/3rd May

Please note: There will be no dismissal on the Mother's Day weekend

Dismissal 2 – Weekend 16th/17th May

Dismissal 3 – Weekend 23rd/24th May

Dismissal 4 – Weekend 30th/31st May

There is a cost of \$50 for this program which we ask you to pay via the bank if possible. Bank details are as follows:

Account Name: Holy Trinity Parish

BSB 083-526 Account No. 515666127

Reference: Eucharist & Child's Surname

The children will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist at weekend Masses in June, see overleaf. You will be asked to nominate the day and time which works best for you.

Fr. Con Bagaoisan OSJ

Parish Priest

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REGISTRATION

Please register for this sacrament using the following link

[Eucharist Registration 2026](#)

PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 28th 2026, 10.00am or 5.30 pm

St. James' Church on the corner of Albert Street & Vale Street Sebastopol

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DISMISSALS

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Masses times:

Saturday 5.00pm – St. Aloysius Church Redan

Sunday 9.00am – St. Aloysius Church Redan

Sunday 10.30am – St. James' Church Sebastopol

CELEBRATIONS

Weekend 13th & 14th June 2026

Weekend 20th & 21st June 2026