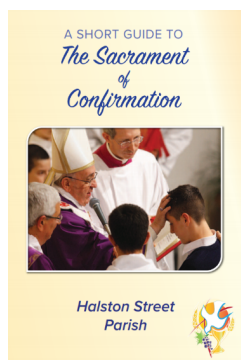
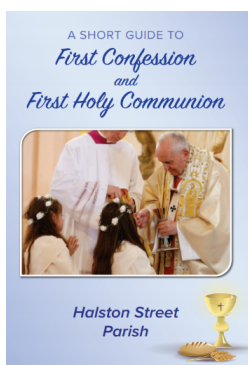


# Halston Street Parish Notices

03/04 July 2021

## Baptism, Communion and Confirmation

As you know this week the Government threw a curveball at us by cancelling upcoming Baptisms, Communion and Confirmations. This was unexpected and has caused a lot of upset. As a result of this we had to cancel baptisms booked for July – we were due to have our first baptism at the 12 o'clock Mass on Sunday. Our communion and confirmation ceremonies are planned for August and September and, at this stage, we hope that these will be allowed to proceed. However, we do need to prepare ourselves for the fact that the Government may once again prevent these from taking place. We really hope that this doesn't happen. What we can promise is to keep you informed – if we know anything for definite, we will let you know as soon as we can. Keep an eye on our Facebook Page for updates – *St Michan's RC Church*. Please keep in your prayers the families who have had ceremonies cancelled.



## Communion and Confirmation Preparation Guides

This week we were delighted to receive from the printers our parish guides to First Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. These colourful, informative and practical guides are aimed at helping families prepare together for these important sacraments.

We will send two copies of the guide to those preparing for sacraments so that they can continue to prepare together at home.

They are also available to view on the 'Sacraments' section of our website under 'First Holy Communion' and 'Confirmation'.

## A visit from the Archbishop

Archbishop Dermot Farrell paid a visit to our parish church last Wednesday. The Archbishop was in the area for a meeting and called by to pay a visit to our beautiful parish church. The Archbishop had comment that he had been in the church once before when he took part in the 'Dublin Camino' pilgrim walk. Fr Martin assured the Archbishop of the prayers of the people of Halston Street. The Archbishop sends his greetings and blessing to all in Halston Street Parish.

## Peter's Pence Collection

This weekend we take up the annual Peter's Pence collection in support of the Pope's charities. This is an ancient tradition and the collection is taken up around the world. If you would like to contribute, you can use the 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection wall slots on the way out of the church.

## THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY – SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP

In July, we are invited to pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.