



17<sup>th</sup> February, 2020



## Rite of Christian Initiation of Youth

Dear Parent Guardian,

A warm invitation is extended from our Parish Administrator Fr Peter and College Chaplain, Fr Anselm to consider a sacramental program developed specifically for secondary students.

This program is for students who are:

- **Not yet baptised**
- **Have been baptised but have not been confirmed or have not yet made preparations for First Communion.**
- **Were baptised in another Christian denomination but feel strongly connected to our Catholic faith community.**

During the first part of the year students seeking Baptism, or Confirmation, or to be received into the Catholic Communion, or to receive the Eucharist will receive formation during RE lessons with our Chaplain Fr Anselm, teaching staff and our Youth Ministry Officer's. There will be no cost to families for participation in the RCIY program.

**Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020** has been scheduled as a day for Fr Anselm to confer the sacraments of baptism, and/or Confirmation and Reconciliation from students in the RCIY program. The following day, **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020** we will take these students to the parish midday Mass at St Francis Xavier Church where they will receive the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time. Family members will of course be most welcome to attend these ceremonies. These students and their families will be invited to join us at our 6.00pm Vigil Mass on **Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> June 2020**.

If you would like your son/daughter to participate in the RCIY program for this year, please complete the expression of interest form attached and return it to the College Office before Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

With best wishes

Mr David Eyles  
Leader of School Evangelisation

Mrs Mary Howard  
Leader of Catechesis

*Please return this form to the College Office or one of the YMO's before Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020.*

Expression of Interest – RCIY  
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Name of student: \_\_\_\_\_ Year level: \_\_\_\_\_

Has this student received any of the following Sacraments?

☐ Baptism    ☐ *in the Catholic Church*  
                  ☐ *in another Christian denomination*

☐ Confirmation

☐ Reconciliation

☐ First Eucharist

☐ None of the above

Tick any of the following that apply

☐ Certificates for the above items were submitted to the school on enrolment

☐ I can provide a copy of my child's Baptism certificate

☐ My child was baptised, but we cannot locate his/her Baptismal certificate (The date and location of the Baptism would be helpful in this instance)

I understand that my child is seeking to receive the Sacraments of Initiation into the Catholic faith. I understand that there will be time allocated to prepare for these sacraments during school hours. I understand that Liturgies for these Sacraments are planned for school time in Week 9 of Term 2 – and that students will be attending the midday Mass at St Francis Xavier Church on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020. I understand an invitation will be extended for my child to join the regular (weekly) worshipping community of their local parish when they have completed this part of their faith journey.

Parents/Guardians Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardians Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_