The Archdiocese of Perth strongly recommends:

*that the sacrament of Penance be received upon the completion of proper preparation and received again before first Holy Communion; and that first Holy Communion, with proper preparation, be received in the following year.*

The responsibility for this preparation belongs firstly with the parents and also with the Parish Priest (Archdiocesan Policy)

St Vincent’s Parish offers classes for the preparation of children for the first reception of the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist. In the senior school children will prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Therefore, children attending St Vincent’s School need to enrol in the parish Sacramental Programme to prepare them to receive the Sacraments of:

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/RECONCILIATION**
for Catholic children, who have been baptised and are in Year Three and above.

**SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST (First Communion)**
for Catholic children, who have been baptised, have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and are in Year Four and above.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**
for Catholic children/adults, who have been baptised, have received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist and are in Year Six and above.

The classes consist of an eight (8) week programme, preceded by an Enrolment Commitment Mass. In addition, parents are required to attend a parent information meeting and the Family Workshop with their child on the Sacrament.

The classes for the Sacraments of Eucharist, Penance and Confirmation are held on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:15pm.

These programmes are organised by the Parish Sacramental Co-ordinator and Assistant Principal.

All enquiries should be directed to the Parish Sacramental Co-ordinator Helene Iriks and/or through the School Office on 9419 2631.