



**ST COLUMBA'S**  
153 Lockyer Street  
ADAMSTOWN

**ST KEVIN'S**  
226 Main Road  
CARDIFF

**ST PHILIP'S**  
31 Vista Parade  
KOTARA

**The Presbytery**  
**31 Vista Parade**  
**Kotara NSW 2289**

August 2017

Dear Parents and Carers

Again it is time to invite families who wish to bring Year Three (or older) children to prepare to receive the further Sacraments of Initiation, to register. These Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and Eucharist complete the initiation that began with their Baptism.

The process will begin for children of Catholic and State Schools in October of this year and continue into 2018 with the Sacraments of Confirmation and then Eucharist.

This will mean a real commitment on the part of families, to encourage these children and allow them to experience the life of the parish by attending Mass. You must also take every opportunity to share your own understanding of these sacraments and to refresh that knowledge by being present at preparation classes with your child.

A group of adult volunteers is being assembled for St Kevin's Cardiff, St Columba's Adamstown and St Philip's Kotara, to help your child by conducting classes and passing on their own faith; whilst leading the children through well-produced resources and discussions.

Interested families are asked to register their child now, prior to the September break; to allow sufficient time to arrange resources and finalise the teams to help in the presentation. This will also allow you to plan the year with this important programme in mind.

Parents wanting to help present the courses will be very welcome indeed.

An important Information evening for parents and carers is planned for **Wednesday 11 October** at 7.00pm where you will meet the volunteers presenting classes and learn what will be required of you and the children. This will also be a time for your own questions.

We include a schedule of dates for preparation for Reconciliation

Every Blessing

Fr Terry Horne PP



I / would like help with the Programme at Kotara / Adamstown / Cardiff.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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