Dear Parents

For your information and to familiarise yourself and your child this is the Commitment Service for the Commitment Masses. You can bring the sheet to your Mass if you wish, however, the prayers will be on the overheads.

Regards Lyn Harkins

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

AFTER THE HOMILY FATHER WILL INVITE YOU TO STAND WITH YOUR CHILDREN.

Father: Parents some years ago you brought your children to be baptised. On that day you accepted the responsibility of teaching your children about God’s love. You have tried to help your children keep God’s commandments by loving God and their neighbours too.

Do you still accept this responsibility and are you still willing to carry it out?

Parents: Yes we are.

Father: Children do you want to live and love as Jesus did?

Children: Yes we do.

Father: Parents, on the day of your child’s baptism they were signed on the forehead with the sign of the cross. I invite you to make this Christian sign on your child’s forehead.

Commitment Prayers for Parents

FATHER WILL THEN INVITE PARENTS TO JOIN TOGETHER AND SAY PRAYER

Parents: Be with us Lord as we help our children to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation by striving to set a good example in your own faith life and supporting those who help prepare our children for these Sacramental celebrations.

We pray that as we participate in parent meetings and activities offered that we can support our children further.

We ask all present today to pray for our children and us.

Amen.

Commitment Prayer for Children

FATHER WILL INVITE THE CHILDREN TO SAY THE PRAYER WITH HIM

Children: Dear Jesus,

We will try to grow closer to you by using the gifts and talents God has given us.

Help us to learn about you in this special time.

Help us to work together to pray each day and be with us as we try to follow you.

Give us love in our heart for you and for each other.

Amen.

Parish Community Prayer for Children

FATHER WILL INVITE THE CONGREGATION TO PRAY THIS PRAYER TOGETHER.

Father: We the members of the Parish Community of St Emilie’s joyfully accept you as candidates for Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation and join me in praying for you during this time of preparation.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.