

## Newbridge Parish - First Holy Communion 2020

Update – 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2020.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Due to a number of enquiries in relation to the dates of First Holy Communion, members of the Parish Team met to assess the current situation. I'm sure you can understand that it is very difficult to plan, when guidelines/regulations are changing as the weeks progress. Therefore, I must emphasise in the strongest possible manner, that the dates below are provisional and are subject to Government regulation that may change in the weeks/months ahead. Further to this, all the indications are that numbers attending First Communions in the churches will have to be kept to an absolute minimum, possibly only parents/guardians with their child. With all this in mind the following are the proposed dates for the Ceremonies;

Saturday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11am & 2pm	St. Conleth's Church	Patrician Primary
Saturday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11am	Cill Mhuire Church	St. Patrick's
Saturday, October 10 <sup>th</sup>	11am & 2pm	St. Conleth's Church	St. Conleth & Mary's
Saturday, October 10 <sup>th</sup>	12noon & 3pm	Dominican Church	Scoil na Naomh Uilig
Saturday, October 17 <sup>th</sup>	11am & 2pm	Cill Mhuire Church	Scoil Mhuire
Saturday, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Cill Mhuire Church	Scoil Bhríde
Saturday, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Cill Mhuire Church	Educate Together

Since the children are moving into 3<sup>rd</sup> Class in September and will be with different teachers (some in a different school), it is not possible, at this point, to say which classes will be at the morning or afternoon ceremonies. It is our aim to have the First Confessions for each school the week previous to the First Communion Ceremonies.

Again, I must emphasise that all of the above is subject to Government/Health Authority guidelines/regulation.

I thank you for your patience and understanding as we try our best to plan for this very important occasion in the life of your child and family in the midst of a global pandemic.

Yours sincerely,

*Paul Dempsey PP.*