**St Rita’s Parish First Holy Communion 2025 schedule**

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| Dates | Place and time | Details |  |
| Monday 3 March | **St Rita’s Church**  6.30pm – 7.30pm | **Parent Information/Formation** | Fr Jose  Sacramental team |
| Tuesday 11 March | **Ruby room** beside St Rita’s Parish office. The Building behind the Presbytery, follow path around.  8am–9 am or 5.30pm-6.30pm | **Enrolment Session**  Important to please ensure you have all items on your check list | Sacramental team  Finance Secretary |
| (Bookings essential)  Saturday 22 March or  Sunday 23 March | **St Rita’s Church Masses**  5pm Mass  9am Mass | **Rite of Enrolment Masses**  Children receive workbooks to start on at home | Fr Jose  Sacramental team  Congregation |
| Monday 24 March | **St Rita’s Church**  4pm | **Learn the Rosary** Sacramental Candidates attending receive Rosary beads and prayer booklet | Sacramental Team  Rosary ladies |
| Wednesday 23 April | **St Rita’s Church**  6.30pm – 7.30pm | **Family Session 1**  Please bring your child’s activity book | Sacramental team |
| Monday 28 April | **St Rita’s Church**  4pm | **Learn the Rosary** Children please remember to bring your Rosary beads and prayer booklet | Sacramental Team  Rosary ladies |
| Wednesday 14 May | **St Rita’s Church**  6.30pm – 7.30pm | **Family Session 2**  Children to hand in activity books for good work stamping | Sacramental team |
| Wednesday 11 June  All children | **St Rita’s Church**  5.30pm to 6.30pm | **Celebration of God’s mercy**  Children collect activity books afterwards | Fr Jose  Sacramental team |
| Wednesday 18 June  Group 1 for Sat 1st Holy Communions or  Group 2 for Sun 1st Holy Communions | **St Rita’s Church**  6pm – 6.30 pm  6.45pm – 7.15pm | **First Holy Communion practise**  Children practise and taste unconsecrated Communion wafer/bread | Sacramental team |
| *The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Feast Day*  Saturday 21 June  or  Sunday 22 June | **St Rita’s Church**  (Bookings essential due to Certificates)  5pm Mass  9am Mass | **First Holy Communion Masses** | Fr Jose  Sacramental team  Congregation |

**Important notes:** If this schedule needs to be changed, Parents of enrolled children will be notified via the Sacramental Coordinator. I will be in touch with parents via email throughout the First Holy Communion preparation period. My work email address is: [sc.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sc.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au). Please type your child’s name in the subject line on emails you send me. To urgently contact me, please contact the Parish office on 32079177 between 9am and 2pm, Monday to Friday. Recorded messages can be left if phoning after hours. I am only in the office part of the week.

**Fr Jose has asked for your child to attend 7 Masses as part of your child’s preparation for First Holy Communion**. They learn by the example of others especially their loved ones what happens at Mass: when to sit, stand, prayer responses, what happens prior, during and after Holy Communion. Weekend Mass times at St Rita’s Church are Saturday 5pm, Sunday 7am or 9am. Please bring your child’s Mass attendance card and have them signed each time at these.

**Please when at Mass, at Communion time, have your children go up with their hands crossed across their chest for a blessing.**

Family sessions are for the child preparing for First Holy Communion and their Parent to attend together please.

Thank you and God bless from Jennifer