

ST. MATTHEW'S R.C. PARISH
PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
“CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME”
2016-2017

TO: Parents of Communion students

FROM: Trish

DATE: May 3, 2017

COMMUNION MASS: **Sunday, May 7th at 2:00 pm** in the Church.

There is no reserved seating for family members.

Students are to come to the entrance of the Jubilee Hall by **1:00 pm**. Students will be signed in by the parent and we will assist them in obtaining their gowns. Returning of the gowns after the Mass – Parents please ensure your child brings their gown back to the correct class!

PHOTOS:

There will be no individual/family photos available this year. You are welcome to extend the gown wearing time after the event to take pictures in the church.

A Group photograph will be taken at **1:30 pm**. White gowns must be worn for the group photograph. There will be no access for anyone during this time.

Revised: A link will be sent to each family with all photos & videos taken courtesy of our Youth compiling everything for us to enjoy! Each child will have an individual shot taken of them receiving their First Holy Communion.

Please note: It is the policy of the Archdiocese that **photographs are not to be taken in Church** during the liturgical ceremonies with the exception of an official photographers appointed by Father Tran. Your observance of this regulation is greatly appreciated. **Please advise your family and friends.**

DRESS:

Proper dress attire is required under the Communion gowns. **NO** runners or jeans.

Boys - Dress pants (long), dress shirt and tie, socks, dress shoes.

Girls – Dresses or skirts. Dresses do not have to be white, but rather a light colour.
Dress shoes/sandals.

RECEPTION:

Following the Communion Mass, there will be a reception in the school gym. Everyone is invited to attend.

Please have students return their gowns **before** they eat and drink.

The final Celebration Mass “Going Forth” will take place on *****Saturday, May 27th at 5:30 pm**. All students are to attend. Students are asked to wear their First Communion outfits to this Mass (no gowns). First Communion Certificates will be handed out at this Mass.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. 604-589-2448 ext. 233 or email prep@saintmatthews.ca

THANK YOU.