

A great
opportunity
awaits!

Confirmation Pastoral Guidance 2020 Review

Community engagement opportunities

The [Pastoral Guidance for Confirmation](#) is a living document which develops in response to our experience and ever deepening insight into the meaning of Confirmation as a Sacrament of Initiation.

2020 was specified as the first period of formal review. In response to COVID-19 and the suspension of Sacraments of Initiation for 2020, the Diocesan Liturgy Council (DLC) prepared the [Sacraments of Initiation Fallow Year Resource document](#) which was made available to communities in July. Pages 43-44 of that document outline a review process for Parish Sacraments of Initiation Teams to engage with as the first step of our review of the Pastoral Guidance for Confirmation. **It is now time to listen to the reflections of the community.**

The ideal is to gather in a way that enables parishes to listen to each other. COVID makes that difficult. In response the DLC is hosting a mix of physical gatherings and online gatherings **before November 15.**

Some communities may prefer to join together for a **physical gathering** if an appropriate COVID safe venue is available that will accommodate your Sacraments of Initiation teams, parishes leaders, other members of the community and members of the DLC.

Those preferring to participate in an **online** gathering have three options. Participants will need the ZOOM app. Those who register will be sent the link ahead of the gathering.

Refer options below. If you have any queries please contact [Sharon](#).

GATHERING OPPORTUNITIES

We are allowing 2.5 hours and will only use the time we need.

Physical gatherings

Communities who would like to host a physical gathering, please find 2-3 possible dates and times (allow 2.5 hours) by Nov 15.

Nominate your venue and communicate with [Sharon](#) who will confirm the date according to the availability of DLC members.

Online gatherings

- Saturday Oct 17, 10 am – 12.30 pm
- Wednesday Oct 21, 4 pm – 6.30 pm
- Saturday Oct 24, 10 am – 12.30 pm

To register, contact [Sharon](#) with choice of online gathering.

Please reply to
[Sharon](#), indicating
your gathering
preference by
Friday Oct 2