St David’s Parish wish to invite your child/children to commence their journey for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion.

Parents are the first and most important models of lived faith for children. Therefore, it is vital that you take an active role in the preparation of your children for the Sacraments as part of the Catholic Commitment. Their preparation is assisted through participation in and attendance at the Sacramental meetings for each sacrament your child is receiving and by being involved in the parish community, especially at weekend Mass.

Parishes have the responsibility of ensuring that a process is in place which enables children and their families to access a programme of formation prior to celebrating the individual sacraments. The parish community of St David’s, through prayer and witness also supports and shares the responsibility of the parents for the preparation of their children for the sacraments.

These Sacraments will take place at St David’s Catholic Church, Tea Tree Gully during 2016. Your first commitment of the journey is to enrol your child/children who are currently in Year 3 this year.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation will take place during Lent 2016 (date to be advised). The second Sacrament is Confirmation followed soon after by First Communion. The Sacrament of Confirmation we hope, will be around May/June 2016, but this date is set by the Archdiocese of Adelaide.

Therefore, it is important that you **enrol your child/children for these Sacraments by the end of 3rd Term this year.** Once we have the numbers in place, we can then send this information into the Archdiocese for a Confirmation date.

At the beginning of the school year, 2016 we will have dates in place for you to commence attending workshops with your child/children in readiness for First Reconciliation. This information will be sent to you via email. It will be necessary for you and your child/children to attend the workshops that will be held for each Sacrament.

Please fill out the attached enrolment form (one for each child) and return it to the Parish Office – not the school – during business hours. It would be appreciated if you could also pay for these Sacraments at the time of enrolment. The cost involved is $60 per student for the three Sacraments. You may pay by cash or cheque only.

The Parish Office is located behind the church on Vizard Rd, and office hours are 9am to 3.30pm Mon, Wed, Thurs and Friday.
If you have any questions regarding these Sacraments, please do not hesitate to contact either Fr James, Fr Eric or Denise at the Parish Office.

We look forward to working together next year in this new Sacramental process.

Yours sincerely,

Fr James Jeyachandran OMI
Parish Priest

Fr Eric Alleaume OMI
Assistant Parish Priest

On behalf of the Sacramental Team.

PS. Please return the Enrolment Form ASAP before the end of 3rd Term. This is the cut-off date for Sacraments next year.