Dear Parents,

On Sunday, February 21st, there will be a special commissioning and commitment ceremony during the 9.30am Mass in the school undercover sacred space area, concluding with morning tea at 10.30. **All students preparing to receive the Sacraments this year are expected to attend the commissioning mass with their parents - It is an essential part of the enrolment to be able to receive the Sacraments this year.**

If you are unsure if your child should be receiving a Sacrament this year, the following guide* may assist you:

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation is usually celebrated by Baptised Catholics in Year 3
- The Sacrament of Eucharist (Holy Communion) is usually celebrated by Baptised Catholics in Year 4
- The Sacrament of Confirmation is usually celebrated by children in Year 6 who have already received the Eucharist.

*Please note that children can still receive the Sacraments in a different year level (eg: A Year 5 student may celebrate their First Eucharist, or a Year 6 May be preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation).

If your child is not baptised and you would like this to happen please contact Fr Vinh, the Parish Priest at the Presbytery on 6400 0276.

It is important that we are able to ensure that you have had an opportunity to read this note, so please return the reply slip by the end of this week.

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**REPLY SLIP**

ST JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY ANNUAL COMMISSIONING MASS

**PLEASE CIRCLE THE RESPONSE THAT APPLIES**

My child, __________________________________________________________

(will / will not) be attending the Commissioning Mass on Feb 21, 2016

_________________________________________(parent/guardian signature)