

**TO: THE PARENTS / GUARDIANS  
OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN 2015 / 2016**

**RE: PARENTS PROGRAMME OF 'DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME'**

The programme of 'Do this in Memory of Me' for the First Holy Communion children and their parents will take place at **St. Mary's Church, Listowel** at the *Vigil Mass (7.00 p.m.)* once a month on the Saturday nights as outlined below. It will begin on **Saturday night 24<sup>th</sup> October 2015**. It is hoped and I ask all the parents and their children will be involved in presenting and participating in the programme. Enclosed is a copy of the *THUMB* magazine - which is there to help parents and their children to understand the mass. Also the '*Grapevine*' magazine will need to be picked up each month at the end of the mass and then used at home by the parents and their children each weekend of the programme. It also includes a little poster of prayers for the child's bedroom to be put up at the beginning of the programme.

<b>Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> October 2015</b>	<b>Introduction &amp; Enrolment night of Programme</b>
<b>Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> November 2015</b>	<b>Feast of Christ the King</b>
<b>Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2015</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b>
<b>Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2016</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> February 2016</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent</b>
<b>Holy Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016</b>	<b>Evening Mass of the Last Supper 8.00 p.m.</b>
	<i>(please note this date)</i>
<b>Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2016</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>
<b>Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2016</b>	<b>First Holy Communion Day for the Parish</b>
<b>Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2016</b>	<b>Procession of Feast of Corpus Christi after second Mass.</b>

We ask one parent to act as a '*leader*' to co-ordinate the parent group for the children of each month. Then, we need to meet in advance of the Mass to plan the liturgy of the weekend that you are on. It usually takes place on the **Thursday in the Presbytery 6.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.** Please make contact with us through the Parish Office early that week. Your school will contact you about the other services during the year. Looking forward to working with you.

**Yours Sincerely,**

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**Fr. Declan O'Connor P.P.**