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Dear Parents and Confirmandi,

Due to the effects of COVID-19, the many and ever changing Government restrictions we all must follow have limited our options to complete the programme in our usual manner. We have a date that is as soon as we believe is practical for everyone to make preparations. Confirmation mass date will be on: -

Sunday 18th October 2020 at 3pm.

It is essential to attend mass on Sunday, either the 9am or 11am mass (1st Holy Communion masses will be held in October at 12.30pm masses, so it is advised not to attend that mass)

DO NOT ATTEND MASS if you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 that is, either a high temperature, persistent coughing or/and loss of taste or smell. **Please let us know and stay at home.**

With this letter I have attached the preparations in which the Confirmandi must learn. Please ensure that you help your child remember and recall how to prepare for Confession. They **MUST** know their prayers in order to go to Confession and to make their Confirmation. We will be rehearsing for the mass on the same morning, prior to Reconciliation service. Rehearsal and Reconciliation date will be on: -

Saturday, 17th October 2020 at 9.30am.

We have made these dates and God willing, we can go ahead with these plans albeit limited. Because of this, we have decided to give you and your family an option to postpone your child's celebration and join the next Confirmation programme next year. This will be under the condition that your child participates in attending the last 3 mandatory sessions of the programme and the Bishop visit for the Rite of Acceptance service at Brentwood Cathedral.

With this letter I have added information on the code of dress for both male and female candidates. I have also posted on our website past Confirmation Group photos of what you should be expected to wear.

Any questions please do not hesitate to contact me via **Email or text only**. Information is also found on our website at <u>www.stpeterdagenham.co.uk</u> (under Sacraments tab)

Best wishes,

Fr Edward Tredota MS Parish Priest Clara Duval and Emmanuelle Kabongo Confirmation Catechists

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