

### Ms. Pitt's class report

Well done to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Class who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>. The children worked very hard preparing for the day; working on their art work, learning prayers and practising their jobs for the day.

All of the children read well and sang beautifully on the day.

I would like to say a big thank you to Mr. O'Tiarnaigh and the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Class choir who really added to the ceremony with their lovely music and singing on the day.

### **'Our First Holy Communion' by 2nd Class.**

On Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> we made our First Holy Communion.

Firstly we did a procession into the church as the choir sang 'Sing, Sing!'.

Next Killian read about the 'Symbols in our Lives'.

Following that Oisín, Darragh and Gavin read the Penitential Rite.

Then Keelin read the First Reading, Lucy and Muireann sang the psalm 'Eat this Bread' and Charlotte read the Second Reading.

The choir then sang the 'Alleluia' and Fr. Finn read the gospel.

After that we had the prayers of the faithful read by Kayleigh, Rebecca, Amie, Jamie, Jasmine, Rachel, Mya and Laureann.

Sandra then read the parents prayer. After that was the hymn 'Here is Bread'.

Following that it was time for the Offertory Procession where Pádraig and Ellie narrated and Kayleigh, Rebecca, Lucy and Muireann brought forward the gifts.

A while later James led the 'Prayer before Communion'.

Then we all came forward to receive our First Holy Communion as the choir song 'I am the Vine', 'Glory to God', 'Give me Joy' and 'Go Tell Everyone'.

Briann and Isabel then led the class in the 'Prayer after Communion'. Following that Teresa read the Communion Reflection 'A Parent's Blessing'.

Next we received our Communion certificates and baptismal candles.

We then sang the song 'If I were a Butterfly' and we did the actions to go with it.

Finally we did a procession out of the church as the choir sang 'Sandyland'. Then we got our photographs taken and went to the hall with our friends and families. We all had a great day.

Here are the children's reactions about their First Holy Communion day:

'I read the prayer in Irish about people sick in hospital' Mya

'There were lots of people at the ceremony' Killian

'It was a really fun day' Isabel

'Everybody looked lovely' Kayleigh

'We sang the song 'If I were a Butterfly' Rachel

'I liked it when we sang the song at the end' Jasmine

'We all had a great time receiving the holy bread' Muireann

'I didn't like the taste of the holy bread' Darragh

'We all had a really nice day' Ellie

'We all got the holy bread' Oisín

'I was happy that I got the holy bread' Gavin

'I sang a song 'Eat this Bread' Lucy

'We said the prayers' Amie

'I enjoyed singing the song at the end of the Communion' Rebecca

'The holy bread tasted like cardboard!' Pádraig

'I liked when we went to the hall afterwards' Laureann

'I enjoyed my Communion' Keelin

'It was nice to spend time with our family and celebrate our Holy Communion' Bríann

'It was nice to spend time with God whilst celebrating our First Holy Communion' Charlotte

'I really liked the taste of the holy bread' Jamie











