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Re: The Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation with City Parishes 2021.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Preparations are continuing for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation tomorrow night in UPMC Nowlan Park. I thank the many people who are working so hard to make this a truly special and memorable occasion for the children and, you, their families.

We had the numbers attending fixed at the child, one sponsor and two parents or guardians but with the wonderful cooperation of all in Kilkenny GAA, and in light of the new easing of restrictions I am writing to extend the invite to a small number of other *immediate* family members to attend. Maybe a grandparent(s) who has been such an integral part of the children's faith journey or the children's siblings. We will still seat the four (child, parents or guardians and sponsor) in allocated sections and these extra family members, should you want to invite them, can be accommodated in other sections of the stand at UPMC Nowlan Park. This will ensure that the children celebrating Confirmation are at the centre while still allowing others to join in the celebration by being present, and at all times, adhering to the current guidelines. Please also note that the Confirmation will be streamed live and the link for this is available on the diocesan (www.ossory.ie) and parish websites.

I so look forward to meeting with you all tomorrow night, and again I thank all in our schools, parishes and our homes who have done so much to support these children on their faith journey. Let us all pray for fine weather - but please also know that you will be under the cover of the stand once you are seated.

Yours sincerely,



Bishop Denis Nulty,
Apostolic Administrator, Ossory.