



BAPTISMAL REQUEST FORM
FOR THE
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



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YOUR BABY'S BAPTISM

Your baby's baptism is a time of celebration and joy. And naturally you want the best for your baby. The parish hopes to help you plan and prepare for your child's baptism in the best possible way.

Baptisms are only celebrated on the **1st Sunday of the month after the 10.30am Mass (approx. 11.45am)**. Sometimes two or three babies are baptized during the same ceremony.

The ceremony takes about half an hour.

One week prior to the Baptism a '**Preparation Session**' is held at the Presbytery, on a **Friday evening at 6pm**. It is good for both parents to attend so that they will both learn about the ceremony and know what is involved prior to the Baptism day. A '**Presentation**' of the new family and their **baby/child** will be celebrated at one of the following Masses of your choice: **6.00pm Vigil, 8.30am, 10.30am or 5pm Mass** on the week prior to the Baptism. (At this stage it is not necessary for Godparents to attend the Preparation Session).

Parents need to arrange for Godparents. The Church says that at least one Godparent be a Catholic whose primary role remains that of helping parents bring up their child in the Catholic faith. Most parents choose two Godparents. When this happens, provided that one godparent is a Catholic, it is allowable for a non-Catholic to act as a witness to the baptism.

An Appropriate Donation is Generally made on the day of your Childs Baptism. (please hand to the Priest)

You are asked to come to Mass, the weekend prior to the Baptism date, when your child will be presented and welcomed into our Parish community.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS IMPORTANT!!

Please **PRINT CLEARLY** and return to Parish Office

The information supplied is mandatory and will be entered into the **Baptismal Register Records**. (except email, phone/mobile numbers)

Proposed date of Baptism

Child's Full Name

Child's Date of birth

Father (full name)

Mother (full maiden name)

Address

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Phone number

Mobile number: Mum:.....

Dad:.....

Email

Godparents

.....

Name/s and DOB of other children if any:

PREPARATION SESSION HELD AT PRESBYTERY:

DATE:.....TIME:...6pm.

By Whom:

PRESENTATION HELD AT :
Choose one of the Following
Mass Times: Sat: 6.00pm,
Sun. 8.30am, 10.30am or 5pm
(Please circle)

DATE: