

Faith is a seed that has to be cultivated and nurtured. This you can do by the example of your own lives, the example of your own Christian living.

In this Sacrament, the child is baptised into the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The challenge for the child as it grows older, will be to live this new life. For this the child will need as we all do, the support of family, and the Christian Community.

The entire parish community welcomes the newly born and communicates its faith by supporting the parents as they strive to lead their children in a Christian way of life and to fulfil their mission as Christian educators of their children.

Because Baptism is the sacrament through which the baby becomes a new member of God's family, it is important that the participants understand the symbolism of the sacrament. We therefore, invite you to come to a meeting where we hope you will be helped to a better understanding of the meaning of the Sacrament.

The meetings take place usually on the Thursday night before the Baptism at 8.30pm in the Parish Centre, Willbrook Road.

A member of the Baptism Team will contact you at least a day or two before the Meeting. Any further information - please ring the Parish Office 495 8695

Baptism Ceremony:

1st and 3rd Saturdays of the Month at 3.30pm sharp

Please be in the church at 3.15pm.



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Baptism

The priests of the parish and the members of the Baptism team congratulate you on the birth of your child.

In giving your child the privilege of becoming a member of the body of Christ through baptism you are taking on the obligation of guiding your child in understanding and living this privilege. The child's knowledge of Christ and of Christ's love depends to a large extent on experiences and examples at home.

In the rite of Baptism, the Church entrusts to the parents and god-parents the responsibility for the growth of the child's faith.

“Baptism is the best gift we have received. Through it, we belong to God and we possess the joy of salvation.”

Pope Francis, January 2019

**APPENDIX 1
REQUEST FOR BAPTISM**
(Copy of Birth Certificate should accompany this Form)

Childs Surname.....
 Child's Christian Name (s):.....
 Date of Birth.....
 Address of Parents.....
 Home phone number..... Mobile number:.....
 Email address.....
 Date & place of Church marriage of parents.....

Father*

Surname:

Christian Name:.....

Religion:

Mother*

Maiden Name:

Christian Name:.....

Religion:

Godfather**

Surname:.....

Christian Name:.....

Religion:

Godmother**

Surname:

Christian Name:.....

Religion:.....

We request the Baptism of our Child***

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Signature of Father

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Signature of Mother

*One of the parents must be a Catholic.

**Minimum requirement is one Godparent. If there are two, they must be male and female and must both be practicing Catholics.

***Signature of a mother alone is sufficient where she is unmarried, is sole guardian and not requesting that the fathers name be entered.

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Official

Birth Certificate presented

Signature of Priest / member of baptism team.

Consent

As part of welcoming the newly baptised into our parish community we would like your permission to do the following:

Publish his / her name in the parish newsletter which will be available in the church and on the parish website

To publish his / her name on the parish Facebook page.

To retain your information on our parish database.

To contact you about future events / celebrations / fundraising in our parish.

Signature

Date

The information contained in this form will be used to register this Baptism in the Parish. The copy of the Birth Certificate you provided will be destroyed once the Baptism is registered. The information entered in the Baptism Register will be retained permanently.

Date of Baptism / /

Celebrant: