



ARRANGEMENTS FOR BAPTISM

For office use

PRIEST	
DATE OF BAPTISM AGREED	

Please complete the following particulars and return to presbytery.

If you have more than one child for baptism, please complete one form for each child.

Please give all Christian names in full (as on birth certificates and passports) to be recorded officially in the register. It is customary to make an offering to the church on the occasion of Baptism.

Name(s) and surname of child to be baptised	
Date of birth	
Your preferred date for baptism. <i>Please leave blank if you have no preference.</i>	

PARENTS' DETAILS

Father's name		Religion
Mother's name		Religion
Mother's maiden name		
Other children <i>Please give name(s) and year(s) of birth</i>		

CONTACT DETAILS

Address and postcode	
Telephone number	
Email address	

GODPARENT'S DETAILS

*For baptism your child **needs** at least **1 godparent**, at most **2 godparents** who **must be Catholics**. In addition to godparents, your child may have at most **2 Non-Catholic (but Christian)** people recorded as **witnesses** to the baptism.*

1st godparent		Roman Catholic
2nd godparent		Roman Catholic
1st witness		Denomination:
2nd witness		Denomination:

Date of completion of form	
Date of receipt of form in office	

DECLARATION

To be baptised is to: become a child of God, become a member of the Church of Christ, share in the death and resurrection of Christ, become a temple of the Holy Spirit.

Hence the parents of the child to be baptised are asked to answer the following questions:

Do you realise that in asking to have your child baptised in the Catholic Church you accept the duty of raising him/her in the Christian faith according to the teaching of this church so that he/she will love God and neighbour as Christ taught us?

Answer:

Will you fulfil this duty by word and example?

Answer:

We/I declare that we/I understand the meaning, privileges and the responsibilities of baptism and that we/I have answered the question truthfully before God.

Signed: (mother)

Signed: (father)

DECLARATION

In the case of interfaith marriages, the partner who is not a Catholic may wish to give the undertaking during the ceremony to bring the child up in the Catholic faith. If not, he/she is asked to make this declaration:

I willingly allow my child to be baptised according to the rites and teaching of the Catholic Church

Signed:

When the form has been given to the priest, he will ring you to make arrangements for the first meeting, and will agree a baptismal date with you. If you have not heard anything from us within two weeks of sending in your form, please call the office.

Privacy Notice

The information collected on this form helps with the preparation of the Baptism. Some of the information that you provide on this form will be entered into the Baptismal Register and stored indefinitely in a secure location in accordance with the laws and procedures of the Roman Catholic faith for future sacramental purposes, (for example confirmation or marriage purposes) and for historic purposes. By completing this form, you agree that the details you give us may be shared with the baptismal team for the purposes of preparation for baptism. The details that you provide will not be transferred to any third party for use for their own marketing or fundraising.

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