

Catholic Parish of ARCADIA St Benedict

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Folio No: _____

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Birth cert:

Meeting with Priest:

BAPTISM BOOKING FORM—please PRINT clearly

CHILD'S SURNAME	CHILD'S OTHER NAMES
Child's Date of Birth	Child's Place of Birth (suburb and state)
Father's Surname	Mother's Surname
Father's Other Names	Mother's Other Names
Father's Email	Mother's Email
Father's Phone Number	Mother's Phone Number
Father's Religion	Mother's Religion
Date & Place of Marriage	Mother's Maiden Name
Home Address (Please include postcode)	
GODPARENTS/ SPONSORS	
Godparents must be over the age of 16 years and at least one (1) must be a practicing Catholic .	
1. _____ Religion: _____	
2. _____ Religion _____	

Are either parents of an Eastern Rite in the Catholic Church? If so, please provide details		
Regular Parish of Attendance If you are not a parishioner of St Benedict Parish OR If you live out of our parish boundaries, please attach Letter of Permission from your Parish Priest.	Parish Name and Address _____ _____ Letter Attached: YES / NO	
Do you give consent to receive the Parish Bulletin weekly by email? (with an unsubscribe option)	YES / NO	
Have you read or received a copy of the Privacy Collection Notice?	YES / NO	
Have you provided a copy of the Candidate's Birth Certificate?	YES / NO	
Date/s of Baptism Talks/ Baptism program you will attend are:	Date of Presentation you will attend: 	
Baptisms are usually held on a Sunday. Attending of Mass at 10.30am for the child to be presented to the Parish then 11.30am baptism.	Requested Date of Baptism: _____ Please bring your own Baptism Candle and a white towel.	
Officiating Priest:		
Please lodge your contribution/donation for your child's Baptism when you return this form.		
Family Law Matters A copy of any Court Orders concerning residence arrangement for the candidate, time spent by the Candidate with either parent, or parenting issues must be supplied with this enrolment form.		
Are there any such orders?	YES / NO	
Has a copy of every such order been attached to this booking form?	YES / NO	
I hereby give my consent for the Candidate to be baptised in the Roman Catholic Faith, and for the aforementioned Godparents to be the Godparents for the Candidate.		
Father's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Mother's Signature: _____ Date: _____		

FOR PARENTS

In the Catholic Church, Baptism is much more than a family celebration or tradition. It is the beginning of a child's life in Christ and entry into the Church. When parents present their child for Baptism, they are asking God to share His divine life with their child and promising to help their child grow in faith.

The Church asks parents:

- Will you raise your child in the Catholic faith?
- Will you teach your child to know and love God?
- Will you help your child learn to pray, participate in Mass, and live according to the Gospel?

Parents are the first and most important teachers of the faith. By bringing their child for Baptism, they publicly accept the responsibility of nurturing their child's spiritual life through their words, example, and family life.

FOR GODPARENTS

Godparents are chosen to support both the child and the parents in the child's journey of faith. Their role is not merely honorary; it is a spiritual responsibility.

The Church asks godparents to:

- Be committed, practicing Catholics.
- Be role models of Christian living.
- Encourage the child in the Catholic faith throughout life.
- Support the parents in their duty of raising the child as a Catholic.
- Pray regularly for their godchild.

A godparent should be someone who can help the child grow closer to Christ and remain faithful to the Church, especially during important moments of life and faith.

PARENTS' COMMITMENT

Commitment	Yes
I understand that Baptism is the beginning of my child's journey of faith.	☐
I will do my best to teach my child about Jesus and the Catholic faith.	☐
I will encourage my child to pray and participate in the sacramental life of the Church.	☐
I will strive to be a Christian example for my child through my words and actions.	☐
I understand that I am the primary educator of my child in the faith.	☐

Parent Name(s): _____

Child's Name: _____

Date: _____