



The Catholic Parish of Pittwater

Sacred Heart & Maria Regina. Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the care of the Salvatorians.



2021 Program for the Preparation of Primary School Aged Children for Baptism

Thank you for your inquiry and for your decision to baptise your child in the Catholic faith. We are delighted that you would like your child to be part of this Catholic community and are excited to be with you on this journey of faith. We would like to encourage you and your family to become acquainted with our parish community (if not already). One of the best ways to do this is to start coming to our weekend Masses with your child.

Please complete and sign a "Request for Baptism" form which is available from our website or pop into our parish office at any time to collect the forms. **Please also contact our parish office to book in your place at our preparation sessions.**

The child to be baptised must have at least one godparent who is a fully initiated, practising Catholic over the age of 16. The godparent/s stand beside the parents during the ceremony. Their role is to support the parents in raising their child in the Catholic faith. They are called to take a special interest in their godchild's personal and spiritual development.

Upcoming Dates

Date and Time	Location	Preparation	What happens
Wednesday 18 August 2021 @ 4pm	Sacred Heart Parish Centre Mona Vale	Session 1	Introduction to Baptism. Children attend with at least one parent. The session is expected to run for approximately 45 minutes.
Wednesday 25 August 2021 @ 4pm	Sacred Heart Church Mona Vale	Session 2	The children continue to learn about Baptism and practice what will happen during the Baptism ceremony. Children attend with at least one parent. The session is expected to run for approximately 45 minutes.
Sunday 5 September 2021 @10am	Sacred Heart Church Mona Vale	Presentation and Anointing	The children who are preparing for baptism are presented to the parish community during Mass and are anointed with the oil of Baptism.
Sunday 12 September 2021 @ 11:30am	Sacred Heart Church Mona Vale	Baptism	The children who have attended the preparation sessions are baptised.

We look forward to celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism with you and we will help make it a happy and memorable occasion. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our Parish office on 9157 0999 (ext 0).

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