

St Margaret's

Catholic Church

Baptism Guide

To seek to be baptised yourself or to have your child baptised, is to recognise Jesus Christ as your Saviour and to become a member of His body, the Church, not in the abstract but here in St Margaret's, or another Christian community. Baptism makes sense and its grace becomes active only through participation and therefore the Church expects parents to undergo some preparation.

The parish follows this procedure for the Baptism of children.

1. Please meet with Fr Peter after Mass one Sunday to introduce yourselves and discuss both the parish's and your expectations.
2. Collect an application form from the office or request to have one sent by email. The Enquiry Form asks for family details, some of which will be used in the Baptism Register and the Parish Census.
3. Attend a Baptism Preparation Course. These take place either over two Tuesday evenings or a one double session. The dates for the following year 2020 are as follows:
 - Jan 14th and 21st
 - March 3rd and 10th
 - May 5th and 12th
 - July 7th and 14th
4. Arrange a date for the Baptism with the Parish Administrator, Cynthia Souza or Parish Priest, Fr Peter.