

St. Joseph's Parish
Terenure Road East, Dublin 6.

REQUEST FOR BAPTISM

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PLEASE NOTE that a copy of the child's Civil Birth Certificate should accompany this form

Child's Surname: _____

Child's Christian name(s): _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address of Parents: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Mobile: _____

Date and Place of
Church Marriage of
parents (If
applicable)

Date _____

Name of Church _____

Location _____

FATHER

Surname: _____

Christian Name: _____

Baptised: Yes/No

MOTHER

Maiden Name: _____

Christian Name: _____

Baptised : Yes/No

GODFATHER *

Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Is he a practising Catholic ? _____

GODMOTHER *

Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Is she a practising Catholic ? _____

We request Baptism for our child: Date :- _____

Father's Signature _____

Date: _____

Mother's Signature ** _____

Date: _____

* Minimum requirement is one Godparent. If there are two they must be male and female. See Note "A"

** Signature of mother alone suffices where she is unmarried, is sole guardian and is not requesting that the father's name be entered. See also Note "B"

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NOTE "A" - Requirements for the office of Godparent (Sponsor)

A person must:

- be appointed by the candidate for Baptism, or by the parents or whoever stands in their place, or failing these, by the parish priest or the minister; to be appointed the person must be suitable for this role and have the intention of fulfilling it.
- be not less than sixteen years of age, unless a different age has been stipulated by the diocesan Bishop, or unless the parish priest or the minister considers that there is a just reason for an exception to be made.
- be a catholic who has been confirmed and has received the blessed Eucharist, and who lives a life of faith which befits the role to be undertaken.
- not labour under a canonical penalty, whether imposed or declared.
- not be the father or the mother of the person to be baptised.

NOTE: A baptised person who belongs to a non-catholic ecclesial community may be admitted only in the company with a catholic sponsor, and then simply as a witness to the Baptism.

NOTE "B"

If Parents are married:

- Application form is to be signed by both parents.

If Parents are not married:

- The Signature of the mother is sufficient where she is not requesting the father's name be entered in the Baptism Registry.
- If the mother is requesting that the Father's name be included in the baptism Registry then the Father's name is only entered in the Registry when his name is proven by a legal public paternity document i.e. Child's Birth Certificate. Both parents are then to sign the application form allowing permission for baptism.

NOTE: In both cases above (in Note "B"), a copy of the Child's Birth Certificate is to be presented to the office with this application.

Parents' Baptism:

At least one parent must be a baptised Christian in order for the child to be considered for Baptism. A copy of the parent's Baptismal Certificate must be presented to the Parish Office.

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