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<b>OTHER CHILDREN'S DETAILS:</b>	<b>B= Baptism</b> <b>C=Confirmation</b> <b>E=Eucharist</b> <b>P=Penance</b>
<b>CHILD 1'S NAME:</b>	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH:</b>	(CIRCLE) SACRAMENTS CELEBRATED: B C E P
<b>CHILD 2'S NAME:</b>	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH:</b>	(CIRCLE) SACRAMENTS CELEBRATED: B C E P
<b>CHILD 3'S NAME:</b>	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH:</b>	(CIRCLE) SACRAMENTS CELEBRATED: B C E P
<b>CHILD 4'S NAME:</b>	
<b>DATE OF BIRTH:</b>	(CIRCLE) SACRAMENTS CELEBRATED: B C E P

**FAMILY LAW MATTERS:**

We require a copy of the **BIRTH CERTIFICATE** of any child being Baptised with a **COPY OF THIS FORM** for each child.

A copy of **any Court Orders** concerning residence arrangements for the Candidate(s), time spent by the Candidate(s) with either parent, or parenting issues must be supplied with this Enrolment Form.

Are there any such Orders? **Yes / No** (please circle)

Has a copy of every such Order been attached to this form? **Yes / No** (circle)

**I hereby give my consent for the Candidate to be admitted to the Sacrament of Baptism in the Catholic Church.**

Father's Signature.....Date:.....

Mother's Signature: .....Date:.....

**(Signatures of BOTH parents are required for the Baptism to occur.)**



*Procedures & Enrolment Form*

**You have expressed an interest in the Baptism of your child...**

**Thank-you** for contacting us about beginning the initiation process of your child through celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism. This is a moment of great joy as well as great responsibility for you, the parent(s) and for the Church Community. From the time of your child's baptism, you are committed to lead them by word and example into a relationship with Jesus Christ and with His body, the Church Community.

**What do you need to do now??**

- 1) **Read the accompanying Booklet.** This will give you information about your responsibilities on having your child Baptised, what it means if you don't choose to go ahead, ideas for supporting the growth in faith of your child, answers to questions such as what you need to bring to the Baptism, how many Godparents you may ask (max of 2), and other practical guides.
- 2) Go to "**Archdiocese of Brisbane**" Website about Baptism and see the video and study the Q&A section for more information.  
<http://flameoffaith.org.au/baptism/>
- 3) **Complete all the details** that you are able on this form.
- 4) **Return this form** to the Parish Office (In returning this form, you are confirming your booking to Celebrate Baptism for your child.)

**NOTES:**

**Dates for Baptisms: Excepting** during the season of Lent (usually around the months of February and March, although the dates vary), Baptisms are celebrated at **10.30am on the Third Sunday of the Month.**

(Usually, we have a limit of FIVE families celebrating Baptism together. We have a policy of allocating the Baptism Dates on a "first-come, first-served" basis.)

- For the Baptism of **children 7 years or older**, there is a much more involved process which will take approximately 12 months. Contact the office for further details.

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# PRAYER FOR THE FAMILY

(TO BE ADAPTED ACCORDING TO CIRCUMSTANCES)

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**We come together** in joy, to celebrate the birth of new life, the birth on N. into our family.

**We welcome** N. with love, with great joy, and with wonder at his/her tininess and beauty.

**We give thanks and praise** to God our Father, the Creator of all life, who has blessed us and renewed us in this way.

**We come**, also, **to ask** for the courage and strength to become the parents, (and brothers and sisters) God wants us to be; we know we can count on God's help, and the encouragement of our friends.

**Let us now pray** for God's blessings on one another.

**Father:** God bless N. (the mother). We thank you for her strength and courage during pregnancy and birth. May she grow in her mothering and find peace and contentment in her nurturing of N.

**Mother:** God, bless N. (the father). We thank you for the strong and tender love he has for his family. May his fathering retain the excitement, joy and challenge of this day, and be his strength through the years ahead.

**Father/Mother:** And God bless N. and N. (other children). We thank you for all the gifts you give us through them. may they be tender and caring to N. (the baby) and helpful and loving to Mum and Dad.

**Mother/Father:** Finally we pray -

That all of us, as we live our lives together with N. (the baby), may grow closer to God and to one another in peace and love. LORD HEAR US.

That our baby N. may grow in strength of body and spirit, to become a full member of our family and our community. LORD HEAR US.

**(For those who have decided on Baptism):**

That our journey may continue to be gracious as we prepare for N's Baptism into Christ. LORD HEAR US.

And finally we pray that the love and joy and peace that we have experienced at this time may remain in the life of our family forever. LORD HEAR US.

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. AMEN.



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**(PLEASE COMPLETE THESE DETAILS USING BLOCK LETTERS)**

**PARENT DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED—at LEAST one week prior to Baptism:**

1) A copy of the **Baptism Certificate** of at least one of the **Catholic** parents (*obtainable from their place of baptism. Ring/write to that parish with your name and approximate date of Baptism and they'll send it to you.*)

2) A Copy of your child's **Birth Certificate**. 3) **Family Law Court Matters**—see over page.

**CHILD'S CHRISTIAN NAMES:**

**FAMILY NAME:**

**CHILD'S SEX:**

**DATE OF BIRTH:**

**PLACE OF BIRTH:**

**DO YOU BELONG TO  
STAFFORD PARISH?**

YES   
NO

(If "NO", you will need a letter from your  
Parish Priest with his acknowledgement)

**FATHER'S FULL NAME:**

**FATHER'S RELIGION:**

**MOTHER'S FULL NAME:**

**MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME:**

**MOTHER'S RELIGION:**

**FAMILY ADDRESS:**

**FAMILY PHONE NUMBERS:**

**HOME:**

**MOBILE:**

**WORK:**

**FAMILY EMAIL ADDRESS:**

**NOTE ABOUT GODPARENTS:** At least one Godparent must be a Catholic, aged 16 years and above **AND provide a copy of THEIR BAPTISM CERTIFICATE.**

Other practising Christians are welcome as witnesses. Non-Christians are unable to be Godparents or Witnesses. — Only ONE Godparent is required..

**GODPARENT 1 FULL NAME:**

**GODPARENT 1 RELIGION:**

**GODPARENT 2 FULL NAME:**

**GODPARENT 2 RELIGION:**

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