

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, RIVERSTONE

REQUEST FOR BAPTISM (NOTIFICATION)

Please complete the following information sheet for our parish records

DATE OF BAPTISM: _____ TIME: _____ NAME OF PRIEST: _____

CHILD'S SURNAME : _____

CHRISTIAN NAMES: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ PLACE OF BIRTH: _____

FATHER'S NAME & Surname: _____ RELIGION: _____

MOTHER'S NAME & Surname: _____ RELIGION: _____

MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ POSTCODE: _____

PHONE NO.: _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

CHURCH & PARISH OF MARRIAGE:

GODFATHER: _____ RELIGION: _____ D.O.B _____
(Name & Surname)

GODMOTHER: _____ RELIGION: _____ D.O.B _____
(Name & Surname)

WITNESS/ES	Name	Surname	Male or Female	Religion	D.O.B
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

OTHER CHILDREN IN THE FAMILY: *(Please write name and date of birth)*

1)..... DOB 2) DOB

3) DOB 4) DOB

Baptism Font (please circle one style of Baptism) -
Immersion or Pouring of Water

We hereby give our permission for our newly baptised to be welcomed into St John's Parish by being included in the Parish Bulletin. _____ YES _____ NO

Would you like a Home Visit by the Priest? _____ YES _____ NO

On the occasion of a baptism, an offering to the priest is customary. Please place in an envelope and give to sacramental team or parish office or the priest on the day of Baptism.

Baptism Requirements

In keeping with the requirements of the Diocese of Parramatta, all parish's within this area are trying to come together as one, to understand and comply with all requirements needed when accepting a sacrament. With this in mind, please take the time to read this information and kindly sign below.

Please complete the Baptism Request Notification Form provided on Page 1 and the Acknowledgement on Page 2. Please keep Pages 3 & 4 , 5 & 6 for your reference.

These forms may be emailed E: stjohns10@bigpond.com or delivered to the St John's Parish Office or given to a facilitator of the Sacramental Team at the Baptism Preparation Class.

Baptism Dates:

11am - every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month

Or

9am Sunday during Mass on any Sunday (except Christmas and Easter)

Any other times or dates requested are at the discretion of the Parish Priest

Parents and Godparents Requirements:

**At least one parent must be Catholic*

** The minimum number of Godparents is – one Godmother and one Godfather – over 16 years of age, male or female and Baptised as a Catholic*

Once you have provided the two Godparents (as explained above), then you may list more person/s as Godparents . Their names will be included on all official documents, including the Baptism Certificate. They do not have to be Catholic, can be male or female, but must be over the age of 16 years.

Church Boundaries

If you do not reside within the area of this Church's boundaries, than a Permission Letter to Baptise Out of Area will need to be obtained from the Church in the area in which you reside. Please contact the Parish office at your local church and request this letter. Please forward the letter to the St John's Parish, Riverstone. Please phone the St John's Parish Office if you would like more information or help in this matter.

Donation

It is customary to make an offering to the priest on the occasion of Baptism. An Envelope will be provided at the Baptism Preparation class or one may be collected from the Parish Office. It is suggested that your donation is divided between the Diocese of Parramatta and the Priest on the day.

You are required to attend these two events:

***Baptism Preparation Class** - please attend one class before the date of your Baptism, which will be held on the *first Tuesday of each month at 7pm* (except the month of January) in the Church Hall.

This Preparation Class is run by our two facilitators – Mr John Padernia and Mrs Rosanna Brown.

One parent (minimum) needs to attend and you may bring the child if needed.

If you are able, please inform the Parish Office of the date selected or you may just turn up on the night.

***Present the Baby** – please bring your child to any Mass at our Church to present the baby to the community. This very short blessing will take place during Mass. Please sit in first or second pew during Mass. Please advise the office prior to the date and/or the priest on the actual day. If you have not advised either, please present yourself to the Mass coordinator standing at the front door of the Church before each Mass, at least 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the Mass.

Mass Times are: Tuesday – Saturday 8:30am
 Saturday 6pm
 Sunday 7am or 9am

We thank you for choosing St John's Parish to Baptise your child.

We hope that this information sheet will help you when preparing for this sacrament. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to phone the Parish office on (02)9627 1176.

Thank you.

.....*Zakaria Gayed*.....

Father Zakaria Gayed

Parish Priest

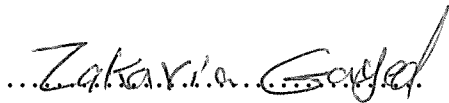
and the Sacramental Team of St John's Catholic Church, Riverstone

**St John's Parish, Riverstone
Parish Baptism Photography & Filming Policy**

This parish, St John the Evangelist Parish, 164 Garfield Road East, Riverstone, NSW 276 has determined that photography or recording at a Parish Baptism on our grounds is restricted.

Please refrain from taking any photographs or recordings during the ceremony.

Photographs or recordings may be taken before the commencement of the Baptism ceremony and after the conclusion of the Baptism ceremony.



Fr Zakaria Gayed

Parish Priest

Date: 1 January 2020

PARISH PHOTOGRAPHY & FILMING POLICY

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

To keep children and the wider community safe and to ensure respectful practices concerning the use of social media, parishioners should follow the guidelines set out below when taking photographs or recordings in Church or at parish events (having received permission to do so from the Parish Priest or Administrator) and where photos include other identifiable persons:

1. SEEK PERMISSION



Please seek permission of Parish Priest/Administrator or parish workers to photograph or record their activities within the parish

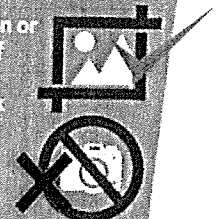
2. DON'T TAG

Do not tag or name the person without permission



If a parent or carer requests that you do not circulate an image of their children to others, please comply with the request

Crop out other children or seek the permission of the children or (for children under 16 seek permission from his or her parent/carer before posting online)



3. RESPECT REQUESTS

4. CROP PHOTOS

THE PARISH WILL PERIODICALLY REVIEW THESE BEST PRACTICE GUIDELINES

COMPLAINTS

An individual has the right to make a complaint concerning the photography or social media activity of another parent/carer. In the first instance the complainant should contact their Parish Priest. In some circumstances, complaints may be referred to relevant authorities such as the Office of the eSafety Commissioner, or may be required to refer the matter to law enforcement authorities

PARISH POLICIES

The parish may from time-to-time determine that photography or recording at a parish event or on parish grounds is restricted. Where restriction is notified, failure to comply may result in exclusion from parish premises or activities.



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