

Saint Nicholas Parish

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WELCOME!

The Christian Community of
Saint Nicholas Parish-East Tamworth
is very happy that you've made contact
for your child's baptism.

Anything at all,
please contact the Parish Office

Please note the following:

1. **BAPTISMS** are usually held on Saturday at 11:00 am; Sunday at 9.30am (within the Mass) and Sunday at 11am.
2. Outside this regular Schedule of Baptisms, you can discuss with the Parish Administrator.
3. In bringing your child for Baptism it is well to remember that the parents are first and foremost the ones who bring up their children to live the Catholic Faith. They should create in their homes an environment where their children will come to know and love God. Among their priorities should be regular **attendance at Sunday Mass** as well as the practice of everyday prayer in the home.
4. **Sponsors** (Godparents) of which a **maximum of two** is allowed to represent the Catholic Community into which your child is baptised. They are to be practicing Catholics who have received the Sacraments of initiation and are free by Church law to carry out their responsibilities. A member of another Christian Community may act as a Christian Witness along with the Catholic Sponsor.
5. **PRIOR** to baptism:
 - a. Parents/Guardians are required [without exception if they have not done so previously] to attend a **BAPTISM Preparation Session** [at 2:00 pm at the Parish MEETING Room] before the intended date of Baptism:

3 February 2018	2 June 2018	6 October 2018
3 March 2018	7 July 2018	3 November 2018
7 April 2018	4 August 2018	1 December 2018
5 May 2018	1 September 2018	
 - b. A copy of the child's Birth Certificate must be submitted with the **BAPTISM DETAILS** [page 3].
6. The suggested Offering for Baptism is: \$75.00 per child - an envelope attached for this purpose
7. **PRIOR** to the **BAPTISM Preparation Session**, you intend to attend: please submit the Baptism Details on **Page 3** [so we know you are attending] and the Church Fee of \$75.00 to the Parish Office, together with the envelope for Offering/Donation.
8. If you belong to another parish outside **TAMWORTH**: the permission of your **PARISH PRIEST** must be sought. A letter will be sent to your Parish Priest, after the baptism of your child, informing him of the baptism taking place in this parish. Please complete the form on **Page 4**. Your parish might have other requirements in relation to your child's baptism. It is important that you make contact with your Parish Priest early.
9. This is a very busy parish: please be on time [for the **BAPTISM Preparation Session**; and on the day of baptism]. Please be early to welcome your guests. There might be other baptisms scheduled with yours. Please be considerate and sensitive.
10. **NAMES** in the **BAPTISM DETAILS** must be **FULL NAMES** – not nicknames; they will be entered in the Parish **BAPTISMAL** Registry – an official and permanent church record of your child.
11. The **FULL NAME** of your child will be mentioned in the Prayer of the Faithful on the weekend your child will be baptised. **IF YOU OBJECT TO THIS**, please inform the Parish Office, thanks.
12. If you have any concerns at all, please contact the Parish Office [67662228] directly.

BAPTISM DETAILS

Full Name of Child : _____
Date of Birth : _____
Residence : _____

Father/Full Name : _____
Religion : _____
Home Address : _____
eMail Address : _____
Telephone : _____

Mother/Full Maiden Name : _____
Religion : _____
Home Address : _____
eMail Address : _____
Telephone : _____

Godmother/Full Name : _____
Religion : _____

Godfather/Full Name : _____
Religion : _____
Minister of Baptism : _____

Proposed date/time of BAPTISM : _____ / _____
Baptism requested by : _____
Relation : _____

Father's Signature: Mother's Signature:

-CHECKLIST-

- ___ : This BAPTISM DETAILS submitted on : _____
- ___ : BIRTH CERTIFICATE submitted on : _____
- ___ : EXEMPTED from the BAPTISM Preparation Session
 [to be determined by the PRIEST] : _____
- ___ : Will attend the BAPTISM Preparation Session on : _____
- ___ : Attended the BAPTISM Preparation Session on : _____
- ___ : conducted by : _____
- ___ : Offering paid: \$ _____ /RECEIPT# _____ on : _____
- ___ : YES, I/we **allow** that the FULL NAME of my/our child will be included in the Prayer of
 the Faithful the weekend he/she will be baptised.
- ___ : NO, I/we **do not allow** that the FULL NAME of my/our child will be included in the
 Prayer of the Faithful the weekend he/she will be baptised.

**If domiciled outside TAMWORTH,
please provide the following information:**

Name of Priest : _____

Name of Parish : _____

Address of Parish: _____

Post Code: _____

Telephone: _____