Saint Mary's Parish

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WELCOME!

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

Included as parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish–Walgett

are those from: Angledool; Carinda;

Collarenebri; Cumborah;

Goodooga; Lightning Ridge;

& Rowena.

Anything at all, please contact the Parish Office or see the Priest.

for a start, please note the following:

- 1. Please submit the BAPTISM DETAILS electronically; the priest will be in touch.
- 2. BAPTISMS are usually held on Saturdays at 11:00 am at Saint Mary's Church in Walgett.

If the baptism is held in one of the outstations, date and time must be negotiated with the priest well in advance; there is an extra charge to cover his petrol and travelling.

- 3. One of the parents must be CATHOLIC; one of the GODPARENTS must likewise be CATHOLIC.
- 4. Because of the SCRUTINY at the Rite of Reception of the Child/Children and the Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith, which are integral parts of the Catholic Rite of Baptism, a non-believer; a person who claims to be Christian but not baptised in the Christian Faith; or a non-Christian cannot be a Godparent. Any issue and concern regarding this, please talk to the priest.
- 4. PRIOR to baptism:
 - a. Parents/Guardians are requested to make an appointment to meet with the priest face-to-face to discuss the details of the baptism; and
 - b. A copy of the child's Birth Certificate is required to be submitted.
- 5. The suggested Offering for Baptism is: \$ 50.00 per child.
- 6. To take the place of the required BAPTISM Preparation Session: Parents/Guardians are asked to watch a CD on Baptism [provided by the parish] at home.
- 7. If you belong to another parish:

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 provide the information on this regard in the BAPTISM DETAILS. 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. There might be other baptisms scheduled with yours. Please be on time on the day of baptism. Please be considerate and sensitive. In fact, it is good practice to be early to welcome your guests.
- 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 and will likewise be published in the Parish Website.

IF YOU OBJECT TO THIS, please inform the priest, thanks.

12. If you have any concerns at all, please contact the priest [68281083 // 0424559008] directly.