

Application for the Sacrament of Baptism

To: The Reverend Canon Paul Mitchell, Rector,
St. John the Baptist Anglican Church, Bulimba

We wish to apply for the Sacrament of Baptism for:
Child's names

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Date of birth

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Parents'/Caregivers' Details (please print)

1.

2.

Address:.....

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.....Postcode.....

Telephone.....

Email.....

Proposed Date and time

Baptism Service.....

Godparents

Who may be godparents?

Godparents are members of the church who have themselves been baptised and have confirmed their faith. They are usually people close to the family who are interested in the child's spiritual nurture. Godparents should be able to answer "Yes" to the following two questions:

- Are you yourself a follower of Jesus Christ and a member of his Church, sincerely believing the promises of God?
- Are you willing to sponsor this child, answering for him/her now, and accepting responsibility for his/her Christian upbringing?

The duties of godparents

Those who act as godparents in baptism are accepting the responsibility, with parents, of providing encouragement, teaching and a good example so that the children may be brought up to follow Christ and become faithful members of the church.

What is promised or undertaken in baptism?

Three promises are made by all candidates for baptism, and these also are the undertakings made by godparents when the candidate is a child:

- A renunciation of "the world, the flesh, and the devil" which means a rejection of all that is opposed to the will of God.
- A belief in God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, which means trust in God who made us, in Jesus who saves us, and in the Holy Spirit who makes us like Jesus.
- A firm intention to obey God and follow his leading in our lives.

We wish to nominate the following persons as godparents.

Full names:

1.
2.
3.

Please sign below

We understand the nature of the Sacrament of Baptism and agree to participate in the preparation process at St John's Church, Bulimba. We have informed our potential godparents of their responsibilities and are confident they will undertake these duties with joy and dedication.

Parents'/Caregivers' signatures:

1.

2.

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