

BAPTISMAL DAY REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

FOR PARISH OF NORTH MACKAY & NORTHERN BEACHES

For Baptism Bookings please contact St Joseph's Parish Office 49574855, Monday to Friday 9am to 12noon.

- + At Present during the COVID 19 Pandemic we can take 4 baptism bookings for St Joseph's, 30 people per baptism on a Sunday at 10:30am.**
- + For St Brigid's and St Brendan's only 2 baptism bookings, on a Saturday morning at 10:30am and 20 people per baptism.**
- + All Parents having their child baptised must complete an attendance form which includes Venue, day, date and time of Baptism; all names, phone numbers and addresses of all who will be attending the Baptism, please ensure to include the child who is being Baptised. The Parish office will email this form once you have made the booking for your child's baptism. This form must be returned to the Parish office the week prior to the Baptism, if the form isn't returned, then unfortunately the Baptism will not take place. So very important to follow this through!!!!**
- + We ask if you could help the priest with the sanitizing of the pews after the Baptism please. All materials eg gloves, disinfectant, masks will be available. This is part of the COVID 19 safe plan to have places of worship opened, if we don't comply then we will have to shut down and this will be sad for all.**
- + **SOCIAL DISTANCING – MUST** be followed at all times while at St Joseph's Church and buildings. It must be followed inside and outside the building. All the pews (seats) are marked with a red dot. People of the same household may sit together. We must ensure the 1.5meter social distancing rule at all times. After the Baptism and the cleaning has been done please don't gather outside, we ask for you to leave please, as people tend to not follow the Social Distancing rule at these times, and we must remember to keep everyone safe and not to mention the huge fines in place for those who breach this rule. It sounds harsh but we as a place of Worship have to follow the COVID 19 Safe Industry Plan of Places of Worship so we can remain open. Thank you for your assistance with this.**

(1) WHITE GARMENT

Christening Robe

Or

White Stole/Ribbon

Or

White Vest/Bib (sample on display at Preparation Session)

(2) BAPTISMAL CANDLE

Baptismal candles are available from:

- **PIOUS GOODS STORE (ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH)**

Store hours:

Saturday 10:30am – 11:00am and before & after 6:00pm Mass.

Sunday before and after 9:00am Mass.

- **ST JOSEPH'S PARISH OFFICE**

One styles available cost \$3.00.

- **BENEDICTINE ABBEY JAMBEROO NSW**

For prices and catalogue please go to the following website

www.jamberooabbey.org.au/html/candles/candles.htm

Or phone 02 4236 0011

(3) BAPTISM ACCESSORIES (Clothing etc)

- **Aria Collection**

Shop D 2/10 Emporer Drive, Andergrove Qld 4740

Phone 0428 709 211 (10am til 5pm) 0458 368 797 (after hours)

also on Facebook as Aria Collection

(4) GODPARENTS

The Godparents are the Church's official representatives at the celebration. They are responsible, with the parents, for the religious formation of the child. They profess publicly that they are ready to help the parents in this task.

- Usual to have 1 or 2 Godparents
- 1 Godparent Canon Law requires the Godparent to be over 16 years of age and be fully initiated (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) as a Catholic.
- If 2 Godparents chosen requirement is then 1 Male, 1 Female and Canon Law require the Godparents to be over 16 years of age and be fully initiated (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) as a Catholic.
- Witness is person of another mainstream faith eg Anglican, Uniting Church.
- An unbaptised person cannot be Godparent or Witness.

(5) **READINGS AND PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL** (*When Baptism is outside of Mass*)

You may choose a reading and / or prepare some Prayers of the Faithful to be used during the Baptismal Celebration – this is optional. If you require some assistance in this preparation, your Baptismal Team Member can supply you with some suggested readings and sample Prayers that may help to get you started!

(6) **PAPERWORK (FOR ST JOSEPH & ST BRENDAN CHURCHES ONLY!)**

- Reminder that completed forms and Baptismal **Fee (\$50.00)** to be posted or delivered to the Parish Office no later than the **WEDNESDAY before 12noon** prior to your booked Baptismal Day.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** The **Family Law Matters** form (the purple form) is to be signed and returned. (*To ensure your child is admitted for Baptism this form **MUST** be signed by both parents and returned to the Parish Office.*)
- Cheques should be made payable to “**St Joseph’s Parish, North Mackay**”.

POSTAL ADDRESS:

Attention Parish Secretary
St Joseph’s Parish Office
PO BOX 3388
NORTH MACKAY QLD 4740
(Or if delivering personally 21-23 Grendon Street North Mackay)

E-Mail address: stjomky@bigpond.com

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday 9:00am to 12:00noon
Phone: 49574855
Fax: 49574208

(8) **PAPERWORK (FOR ST BRIGID’S CHURCH TO FARLEIGH PLEASE!)
AS PER YOUR FARLEIGH CHECKLIST**