

Baptisms

In St. Christopher's Cathedral Parish, baptisms are held on the Second and Fourth Sunday of each month at the Cathedral (12.30pm) and on the Third Sunday of each month at St. Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla (10.30am). You can contact the Parish Office at 02-6239 9846 to make a booking.

You will be required to attend a pre-baptism information session if:

- it is your first child you are seeking to have baptised; or
- if you have not attended a session for your previous child/ren; or
- if it has been at least three years since you attended a session.

You will be informed of upcoming session dates when you call/email to book the baptism. The sessions are held in the Boardroom, St Christopher's Pastoral Centre, 55 Franklin Street, Forrest at 7pm on the first Tuesday of each month.

Upon booking, you will be sent or emailed a form for completion and return. This will include the details required for the Baptismal Register and the Baptism Certificate, as well as the signatures of the parents and godparents. At least one Catholic godparent is required, and not more than two godparents (one of these may be of another Christian faith, but at least one must be Catholic).

The completed form must be returned to the Parish Office by the Tuesday prior to the baptism. The baptism cannot take place before the form is returned.

The suggested donation (ideally made at the time the form is returned) is \$100, includes: simple baptismal candle, certificate, white baby's baptismal bib and administrative fee. Payments can be made by cash (exact amount, please), cheque, or direct transfer or credit card.

If the child for baptism is seven years or older, you will need to call the Parish Office about organising adequate preparation for the child before baptism.

Ideally the infant for baptism should come dressed in a white garment.