

Clothing:

Your child should be dressed in white clothing as it symbolises that the child being baptized is now made pure in the sight of God. There is also reference to the white garment during the ceremony.

Covid Restrictions

All guests will need to register their presence with their phone and sign out when leaving. Wearing of face masks is very strongly encouraged. Also social distancing is most important. Kindly sit in the benches marked Please Sit Here.

Baptism Certificate:

You will be given a Baptism Certificate at the end of the ceremony. Please put this in a safe place as this certificate will be needed several times throughout your child's life in the church.

Any Questions or concerns?

Please go to our website for most answers to common questions.

Otherwise you can contact the Office between 9am and 4pm Monday to Friday on 9626-3326 or you can email us at parishoffice@maryimmac.org.au or sacramental.coordinator@maryimmac.org.au

The best days to book a baptism are Wednesday to Friday 9am to 4pm.

Mary Immaculate

Parish

Quakers Hill/
Schofields



Information
about the
Sacrament of
Baptism

Thank you for choosing Mary Immaculate Parish for your child's Baptism. Following is some information that we hope will be helpful to you as you prepare for your child's Baptism Ceremony.

Baptism Forms

Your first step is to call the office on 9626-3326. Best to call between Wednesday's and Friday's 9.00am—4.00pm to book a baptism.

Godparents:

Each child is to have 2 godparents who ideally are both Catholic. Godparents should be one male and one female. Godparents need to be 16 years of age or older. If one godparent is not Catholic, they should at least be Christian. It is the duty of the godparents to assist the parents in upbringing the child in the Catholic Faith.

Baptism Candle:

Please bring a white candle which is used as part of the ceremony. It symbolizes the child receiving the light of Christ. Sometimes people decorate the candle with the child's name and date of Baptism.

From another Parish?

If you are from another parish you will need to get a letter from your parish priest informing us that the priest is aware that your child will be baptized in Mary Immaculate Parish.

Donation:

There is a suggested donation of \$100.00. Any hardship cases, please contact Sister Valerie by phone or text (0414 638 884) This donation goes towards the needs of the parish and the diocese. See website for payment details. Ideally, donations are sent in with the application form. If you wish to give a separate donation/gift to the celebrant this can be done on the day of the Baptism.

Baptism Preparation Class

Parents are expected to attend a Baptism Preparation Class before the Baptism. These classes take place on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the church. When you call the office, they will ask you for the Baptism Preparation date you wish to attend. If it is possible, godparents are welcomed to come for this preparation night.

Dates for Baptism:

Baptisms take place every Saturday at 10 AM and 11 AM. (30 guests per child). Also on Sunday Baptisms take place during the 10:30 AM Mass and after the Mass the ceremony will be completed. For Sunday Baptisms only 20 guests are allowed for the Mass but 50 for the ceremony after the Mass. See parish website for more information. Since numbers are limited, we may not always be able to give you the date and time that you would like. This is worked out when you call the office to enrol