



Dear Parents,

Thank you for your enquiry regarding the Sacrament of Baptism at Galway Cathedral.

May we please bring the following points to your attention:

Please fill in the enclosed form and return it to the Cathedral Office with a copy of your child's birth certificate. Only then can we confirm the date and time with you. A minimum of four weeks' notice is required for baptism. Baptism takes place on Sundays after the 12.30 Mass.

As part of our supportive outreach to parents, the Cathedral has a parish Baptism Team; a team of volunteers who help with the preparation of parents and families for the Sacrament of Baptism. When your arrangements have been confirmed, a member of this team will be in contact with you to arrange a practice and discuss your child's baptism and answer any questions you may have. Alternatively, the parish clergy are always happy to respond to any of your questions.

Ideally a child should be baptised in the locality where his or her faith will be nurtured by the community in which he or she lives. For that reason, if you are not a resident member of the Cathedral parish, your baptism request form must be accompanied by a letter from your own parish priest stating that he is aware the baptism is taking place at the Cathedral.

Furthermore, an administration fee of €50 is requested for all Baptisms. This fee must be enclosed with the application form to the secure the date.

Thank you for taking these few moments to ensure that all the necessary paperwork has been completed in good time. We pray that God will bless and guide you in your role as parents.

Kind regards,

Msgr Peter Rabbitte PP

Fr John Gerard Acton CC

Galway Cathedral

*Request for the
Sacrament of Baptism*



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CHILD'S INFORMATION

Christian name(s) _____

Surname (as per birth cert) _____

Date of birth _____

PARENTS' INFORMATION

Father's name _____

Mother's name _____ (Maiden Form)

Postal address _____

Telephone number _____

Email address _____

Marital Status Unmarried Married in the Church Civil Marriage

SPONSORS INFORMATION

Canon law requires at least one godparent to be chosen for Baptism. To be a Godparent you must be at least 16 years old and be a Roman Catholic who has already received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If two Godparents are chosen, then one must be male and one female. When the second person is not a Roman Catholic, then this person, so long as they are a baptised Christian, can act as a Christian witness.

Godfather name _____

Roman Catholic? Yes No

If no, what Christian domination _____

Godmother name _____

Roman Catholic? Yes No

If no, what Christian domination _____

DECLARATION

I/We confirm that the above particulars are accurate and we request the Sacrament of Baptism for our child. A copy of our child's birth certificate is enclosed with this request form. All this information will be securely retained indefinitely in the parish office of Galway Cathedral as a record of your child's baptism.

Mother's Signature

Father's Signature

OFFICE USE

Date of baptism _____ Admin fee received

Celebrant _____

Baptism team: Contacted Date of practice _____ Team member _____