

Sacred Heart Parish, Luton

Preparation for Baptism

If you wish to have your child baptised in or outside the parish, you will need to follow the procedure below.

- 1) **You will need to be registered as a parishioner for three months before approaching for Baptism.** You can register by filling in the form (found in church porch) and handing it into the Repository shop. You will also receive a welcome pack.
- 2) **Speak to one of the clergy after Saturday night or Sunday morning Mass** (whichever one you attended that day). You will be given an information pack, concerning the Parish Preparation for Baptism.
- 3) **You need to read the “Primer of the Catholic Faith”** (in the information pack), which gives a summary of what is expected of Catholics.
- 4) Complete the Baptismal application form and give the Godparents the forms they need to complete.
- 5) Baptism certificates **must** be obtained (unless baptised at Sacred Heart) for the parents and Godparents. This rule cannot be dispensed with. Both Godparents must be baptised and one of them must be a practising Catholic.
- 6) Come to the next **Preparation Meeting and Presentation Mass.** Information on when they will be can be obtained from the Parish Office.