

# Sacrament of Baptism

in the Parish of St Francis Xavier, Ballina.

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**This form must be completed and RETURNED to Parish Office**  
(at least **seven** days prior to date of intended Baptism)

(Please PRINT all information clearly)

<b>Child's Details</b>	<b>CHRISTIAN NAMES :</b> _____ <b>SURNAME :</b> _____ <b>Date of Birth :</b> _____ <b>Place of Birth (suburb/town/state):</b> _____
<b>Parent's Details</b>	<b>Father's</b> <b>Christian names</b> _____ <b>Surname</b> _____ <b>Religion</b> _____ <b>Mother's</b> <b>Christian names</b> _____ <b>Surname</b> _____ <b>Maiden name</b> _____ <b>Religion</b> _____
	<b>Address</b> _____ <b>Telephone No</b> _____ <b>Email</b> _____

<b>Sponsor's Name</b> _____	<b>Religion</b> _____
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**Sponsors (Godparents)** The sponsors, together with the parents, present the child for Baptism. Their role is to support the parents in helping the child to live a Christian life befitting of the dignity of Baptism and to fulfil the duties inherent in Baptism. Two sponsors are usually chosen, but one is sufficient. Neither father nor mother can be a sponsor of their own child. At least one of the sponsors **must be Catholic**, not less than 16 years of age and have received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. To fulfil their obligations it would be expected that this sponsor is a practising Catholic who attends Mass each Sunday. It is permissible for a second sponsor to be a Christian Witness. *That is, a baptised non-Catholic Christian who is committed to the practice of their Christian faith.*

**Baptisms are held in St Francis Xavier Church, Ballina OR  
Holy Family Church, Lennox Head**

*It is customary to make an offering to the Church on the day of Baptism.*

<b>Preferred Date of Baptism</b> .....	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>St Francis Xavier Church, Ballina</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Holy Family Church, Lennox Head</b>
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<b>Do you approve of your child's name being published in the parish bulletin?</b> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></b></p> <p>Sample: This week the parish warmly welcomes ....., son/daughter of .....and..... We look forward to seeing the newly baptised and his/her family worshipping with us each weekend.</p>
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**FATHER'S SIGNATURE** ..... **MOTHER'S SIGNATURE**.....  
**DATE:** ..... **DATE:** .....