

Parish of Kilnamanagh and Castlevew

Baptisms 2019

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Congratulations on the birth of your child!

Please Note: *an infant should, if possible, be baptised within the first weeks after birth.*

We in Kilnamanagh and Castlevew Parish want to help you make your child's Baptism an occasion of great joy. In order to make this possible, we need your full co-operation with our arrangements for the Sacrament of Baptism, which are based on Diocesan Policy. Before you proceed with a request for the Baptism of your child, please reflect on the following question:

Does your Faith make you ready to take on the responsibility and constant care to bring your child up in the Practice of the Faith?

- *If you do not live in this Parish, it is the norm that your child be baptised in the Parish where you live.*
- *Care should be taken to ensure that a name is not given in Baptism that is foreign to Christian sentiment.*
- *One Sponsor (Godparent), male or female, is sufficient; but there may be no more than two (one male and one female). Sponsors should be over sixteen years of age, be a Catholic who has been confirmed and should have a positive interest in, commitment to, and practice the Catholic Faith. A Sponsor who is married must be married in accord with the laws of the Catholic Church.*

Baptism is not a once off event. It is not just a day out. It's more a matter of stages on a journey.

There are four formal stages in our arrangements for Baptism:

- 1. The Booking of the Baptism**
- 2. The Preparation Meeting**
- 3. The Welcome Ceremony**
- 4. The Completion of the Rite of Baptism**

- *The First Column overleaf gives the dates for the Preparation Meeting that will take place in St Kevin's Church Kilnamanagh, Wednesday 8 pm.*
- *Parents and Godparents are expected to be present at this Preparation Meeting.*
- *Column 2 gives the dates for the Welcome Ceremony. Parents and Godparents need to be present at the Welcome Mass at Sunday Mass.*
- *When you decide on a date, please contact the Parish Office (4515570) to check if that date is available, and arrange to fill out the necessary Forms.*
- *All who enter a church building are required to observe the standard of propriety in modest dress fitting to a Sacred Place and Space.*

Dates for Baptism 2019

Please read overleaf first.

Early contact with the Parish Office after the arrival of the new baby is important in order to make the Booking for the Baptism.

The Parish arrangements for Baptism are that there is a Preparation Meeting on the Wednesday in St Kevin's at 8 pm.

This is followed by the Welcome Ceremony, generally on the following Sunday in St Kevin's at 10 am Mass. This is the First Part of the Rite of Baptism.

The Completion of the Rite of Baptism takes place generally on the last two Saturdays of the month in St Kevin's and St Kilian's at 4 pm.

Both Parents and Godparents are expected to attend on each of these 3 occasions.

Each is an essential part of the Sacrament of Baptism.

[Parents may not present their child on the Saturday if they have not previously attended the Meeting and Welcome Ceremony.]

Preparation Meeting

Welcome Ceremony

Completion of The Rite of Baptism

For Both Parents & Godparents

Wednesday 8 pm

Sunday 10 am

Saturday 4 pm

St Kevin's

St Kevin's

St Kevin's

St Kilian's

2 January

6 January

19 January

26 January

30 January

3 February

16 February

23 February

27 February

3 March

23 March

30 March

3 April

7 April

13 April

27 April

1 May

5 May

25 May

29 May

2 June

22 June

29 June

3 July

7 July

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