

St Dunstan's Woking – Preparation for Infant Baptism 2018

| | Closing date for application | First evening | Second evening | Celebrations of Baptism |
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| Course 1 | 8 January | 16 January | 23 January | Sunday 18 February Sunday 4 March |
| Course 2 | 5 March | 13 March | 20 March | Sunday 8 April Sunday 13 May |
| Course 3 | 30 April | 8 May | 15 May | Sunday 10 June Sunday 8 July |
| Course 4 | 9 July | 17 July | 24 July | Sunday 12 August Sunday 9 September |
| Course 5 | 17 September | 25 September | 2 October | Sunday 14 October Sunday 4 November |
| Course 6 | 12 November | 20 November | 27 November | Sunday 9 December Sunday 13 January 2019 |

- We receive many requests for infant baptism each month (about 120 per year)
- Celebrations will normally take place on the dates advertised but we may have to amend dates depending upon the number of applications each month
- We hope to limit each celebration to four or five families – this may mean increasing the number of celebrations each month, for example by having two or three celebrations on the date advertised or in some circumstances arranging a different date to the one stated above
- Please **DO NOT** arrange your own family celebrations until you have been informed of the date and time of your child's Baptism
- We will inform you of the dates and time of celebration of Baptism by email or letter as soon as we can, but at the latest we will inform you at the first evening of each course
- **Parents and Godparents are expected to show evidence of their own Baptism, usually a copy of the Certificate of Baptism (obtainable from the Church where you celebrated Baptism). Please arrange this before attending the course.**
- **FINALLY AND MOST IMPORTANT** – we welcome all who are seeking Baptism and if you are actively involved in parish life you will know the commitment you are about to make on behalf of your child, but if you do not regularly attend Mass at the moment, you may not fully understand Baptism. We ask all parents to consider very seriously the commitment they are about to make on behalf of their child. These commitments will be explained during the course and during the Rite of Welcome.