



## St Mel's Parish, Campsie

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### BAPTISMS AT ST. MEL'S CATHOLIC PARISH, CAMPSIE DURING COVID-19

During this time of restrictions on places of worship the following protocols are in place for Baptisms at St. Mel's Catholic Church, Campsie in accordance with NSW Health.

1. Names, addresses and phone numbers of all those attending to be emailed to the Parish a week prior to the baptism. These records will be kept for 4 weeks in line with NSW Health requirements for contact tracing if necessary.  
Any guest not listed on the supplied guest list **will NOT** be permitted in the Church.  
**All guests must arrive no later than 11am.**
2. At St. Mel's there is a restriction of **20 people** including the parents and godparents allowed in the Church. **The 4sqm per person will apply with 1.5m social distancing.** The pews within the Church have clearly been marked where each guest is able to sit. **This will strictly be adhered to.**
3. Due to social distancing restrictions please note that no group photos will be allowed in the Church or outside on Church property, this includes photos with family members and godparents.
4. You are asked to bring a small white towel (hand towel is suitable) to wipe your child's head after the pouring of the Baptismal water. Also a white candle and an extra white garment (a white sash or ribbon is suitable).
5. During the Baptismal ceremony only the parents and 2 godparents are able to approach the Baptismal Font still adhering to the social distancing requirements.
6. You will need to leave the Church as soon as the Baptism has taken place and you are kindly asked not to congregate outside on Church property.

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***Please sign below and return either by email or in person as soon as possible. Thank you***

I understand and agree to the above protocols for the Baptism of our child.

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Baptismal Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Names:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print)

**Parent's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_