



St Francis of Assisi Parish



REFLECTION

OUR BAPTISM

Shalom

Baptism is the First Sacrament a believer receives to commit himself to the Lord Jesus with a Promise to follow the Lord in His footsteps and to live a life of witnessing to the great gift he has received from the Church. By Baptism one becomes officially a member of the Community, in our case, the Catholic Community of the Parish of St. Francis of Assisi, in Maida Vale. He / She joins the big Family of Christians and receives all help and support, not only from their family members but also from the Community members at large. He / She gains the right of membership in the Parish they belong to and has a right to demand spiritual help and support in times of need. Also, the believer has the obligation to extend their support financially and materially for the upkeep of the Church and help in the support of the Servants of the Church. Also, they assume the obligation of attending the Religious Services and Sacraments offered by their Parish for the Spiritual Welfare of their family and community.

The Lord is pleased with the faithful members of God's Family and will bless them abundantly with immeasurable graces and blessings. Baptism is such a great Sacrament which paves the way to receive the successive Sacraments in the course of their life. All the Sacraments are the source of God's special Gift of the Holy Spirit who will assist the believer towards a life of Witnessing to the Lord Jesus. God Bless all those who have been Baptised.

Praise God

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