

## ST IVES PARISH PLAN - TO DELIVER DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN (2004)

No.	Diocesan Policy	Action Points	Parish Outcomes	Lead Responsibility	Review
10.	<b>BAPTISING CHILDREN</b> <i>It is diocesan policy that every parish provides a full and adequate preparation programme for infant baptism and that attendance be required for parents having their first child baptised, as well as for others when appropriate. Godparents should also attend where possible. Baptism always involves welcome into the community of the Church and this communal aspect of baptism must be celebrated in some way.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A programme of preparation to be set up for parents and godparents.</li> </ul>	Two preparation sessions with the catechists are held on consecutive months followed by one session with the Parish Priest.	Parish Priest/ RE Co-ordinator	Annually
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Catechists to attend Diocesan training day</li> </ul>	Two catechists have attended the training day and are now running the course	Parish Priest/ RE Co-ordinator	Annually
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Baptism to be administered during any weekend Mass or on first Sunday of the month when the parish community has been invited</li> </ul>	Arrangements in place	Parish Priest/ RE Co-ordinator	Annually