



Your Child's Baptism

- Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class before the Baptism.
- Godparents may also attend the Baptism Preparation Class.
- Parents must choose 2 Godparents, one male and one female.
- At least one Godparent must be a fully initiated Catholic who is a practicing Catholic and also needs to have received the three Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and First Eucharist.
- A person who is not a Catholic, but is a member of a Christian Church with a valid Baptism and who has received that valid Baptism in their own church can act as a Christian witness for the child. In that case, the other Godparent must be a fully initiated Catholic.
- The minimum age for a Godparent or Christian witness is 16 years old.
- Please consider that your choice of Godparents is permanent and cannot be changed.
- Baptism will not be denied if the parents are unmarried or not married in the Roman Catholic Church.
- If your marriage is not a Sacramental Marriage in the Church (Civil Marriage) or if you are not married and wish to be married in the church, please ask us as to how we may help you enter into proper Sacramental Marriage or, if need be, seek a declaration of nullity by the Church.