

St. Ignatius Parish

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Church Teaching and Regulations Regarding Baptism:

Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit. It is the first Sacrament of Initiation and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission. Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word." (adapted from the Vatican Catechism)

Baptism is an initiation into and a celebration of the Catholic faith. The child to be baptized should be living in a home where faith is well founded and active. This is achieved through the good example of parents, through their teaching and nurturing the child in a knowledge of the faith and in prayer; and through their frequent reception of the Sacraments including weekly attendance at Mass.

At the time of Baptism, the parents commit themselves to that reality. The **godparents** must be chosen because they are practicing Catholics, living an active faith life. They are taking on a LIFETIME interest in the child. They must, therefore, be of the Catholic faith and **at least sixteen years of age**. If for a special reason one so chosen is not a Catholic, then he or she may stand as a witness to the Baptism. In other words, **at least one must be a Catholic** who is ready to renew his or her Baptismal promises and Profession of Faith and who is ready to take on the faith responsibilities of god-parenting.

NOTES:

- 1) Please ensure that ALL information on the application form has been fully and accurately completed.
- 2) Forward the form (page 2 only) to the parish with the stipend fee of \$25.
- 3) Retain this page for information purposes.



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BAPTISM REGISTRATION

Child to be Baptised:

Surname:	First	Name(s)
Sex (M/F)	_ Date of Birth:	
Place of Birth (To	own, Province):	
<u>Parents' Informa</u>	ation:	
Surname:	Mother	Father
Maiden Surname	:	<u> </u>
First Name:		
Religion:		
Age:		
Marital Status:	Married Con	mmon Law Single:
<u>Contact Informa</u>	tion : (Mailing Addres	ss/Phone Number/email):
Godparent's Info	Drmation : <u>dmother</u>	Godfather
Name:		
_	gion	Age Religion
OFFICE USE ONI	LY	Stipend Received: YES NO
		Supena Received. TES NO