



St. Lawrence Martyr Parish

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Baptism Registration Information

1. Baptism is a celebration of a living relationship with God and with the local parish community. **It is normally celebrated in the parish where the family resides or is registered and usually worships.** Parents who belong to another parish and wish to have their child baptized at St. Lawrence Martyr Church must obtain a letter of permission from the Pastor of the parish where they reside, or where they are registered and usually worship.
2. We require a photocopy of the **Baptism Certificate(s) of the Catholic Parent(s)**. Please provide a photocopy of the **Birth Certificate of the child** being baptized so we can ensure the correct spelling of your child's last name. **All required documentations** must be collected before the interview with the parish priest.
3. Parents are required to attend a one-hour baptismal preparation class prior to their child's Baptism. The dates for the preparation class and the Baptism will be finalized during the interview meeting.
4. It is important that parents select only Catholics who are practicing their faith as Godparents (Sponsors), since they will be required to help your child grow in the faith. At least one Godparent should be chosen for your child's Baptism.
5. A Non-Catholic Christian (that is, a person who has been baptized in a Christian denomination recognized by the Catholic Church) may be chosen as a Christian Witness in place of one Godparent.

Eligibility of Sponsors (Godparents)

There is to be only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each. (canon 873)

The following are the requirements in order for a Catholic to be a sponsor: (canon 874 §1)

- At least 16 years of age
- He/she has been fully initiated in the Catholic Church (received Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation)
- In good standing with the Church (e.g. has not married outside the Catholic Church; not cohabitating)
- Not the mother or father of the one to be baptized

Eligibility of Christian Witness

- A Christian Witness for a child's baptism must be validly baptized Christian of a Non-Catholic Church. (canon 874 §2)
- A Christian Witness may only participate together with a Catholic sponsor. (canon 874 §2)



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Baptism Registration Form

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY Date: _____

Child's Name: _____
First Middle Last

Male: ____ Female: ____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____
day/month/year City/Province/Country

Father's Full Name: _____
First Middle Last

Religion: Roman Catholic _____ Other: _____

Mother's Maiden Name: _____
First Middle Last

Religion: Roman Catholic _____ Other: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Prov.: _____ Postal Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Church, or place of Marriage: _____

Date of Marriage: _____
day/month/year

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date of Interview: _____ Date of Baptism: _____

Date of Baptism Class: _____ Minister of Baptism: _____

Entered into PT: _____ Entered into Register: _____

Comments: _____

Baptism Certificate: Father's Mother's Confirmation Certificate: Godfather's Godmother's

Child's Birth Certificate: yes no

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF THIS FORM

