



Infant Baptism Application Packet Checklist

“Let the children come to Me,” says the Lord, “and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God.” (Luke 18:16)

Dear Parents, we rejoice with you over the birth of your child and your desire to have him/her baptized! Please carefully review the checklist of requirements below and refer any questions you may have to our parish Infant Baptismal Prep Coordinator. God bless you & congratulations!

REQUIREMENTS FOR PARENTS

- Complete Baptism Application form IN FULL** (*see attached*)
Children age 7 and older must go through a process called the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (RCIA) as preparation for Baptism. **For parents not registered at St. Peter Parish (or those registered for less than 6 months), there is an application fee of \$40.00 (due when completed application packet is submitted).** Parishioners who have been registered and actively involved for 6 months or longer are encouraged to give a donation.
- Letter of Permission to baptize from Pastor** (*only if you are not a member of St. Peter Parish*)
- Provide a copy of your child’s birth certificate**

Father

Mother

- Attend a Baptismal Prep Class** (*here at St. Peter or another Catholic parish*)
Attendance is *required* unless you have taken a class **within the past 2 years**. Classes are offered once per month in English here at St. Peter. Pre-registration and English comprehension are **required** to receive credit.
 - If you have attended class at St. Peter, please provide the month/year of attendance: _____
 - If you have attended elsewhere, you must provide certified proof of attendance from that Catholic parish.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

Godfather

Godmother

- Complete Godparent Approval Form IN FULL** (*see attached*)
The Canon Law of the Catholic Church calls for “only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each” (Can. 873). Before selecting a Godparent(s) for your child, please carefully review the canonical requirements.
- Attend a Baptismal Prep Class** (*same conditions apply as for parents – see above*)
- Provide certified copies of sacramental records** (*annotated Baptism Certificate*)

**ONLY COMPLETED PACKETS WILL BE ACCEPTED.
THE BAPTISM DATE WILL SCHEDULED AFTER THE PACKET IS RETURNED &
APPLICATION FEE IS PAID (IF APPLICABLE).**

Please print clearly & complete in full



Baptism Information

Child's Information

Child's First Name Middle Last Name

Male Female Date of Birth _____

City and State of Birth (*This information must match birth certificate.*) If child is not born yet, leave this blank.

Parents' Information

Father's First Name Middle Last Name

Catholic: Yes No

Mother's First Name Middle Maiden Name

Catholic: Yes No

Street Address City State Zip Code

Home Phone Cell Phone

Email Address

Godparent Information

Godfather's First Name Middle Last Name

Godmother's First Name Middle Last Name

** If there is only one Catholic godparent, a baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic Christian church may participate as a Christian Witness to the baptism, but does not take on the role or title of godparent.*

Christian Witness First Name Middle Last Name

We/I affirm that all the information provided above is true. We/I are requesting the sacrament of Baptism for our child through the parish. It is our intent to raise our child as a Roman Catholic.

Father's Signature Date

Mother's Signature Date



Godparent/Sponsor Eligibility Form

Congratulations on being asked to be a Godparent/Sponsor! By accepting this role, you are committing to play a significant role in this person's life, sharing the faith and encouraging him/her in his/her journey as a Catholic. If you are serving as a godparent for baptism, please attend a preparation class at your parish prior to the scheduled baptism. Please take the completed form to your parish and have it signed and sealed by the pastor or their representative. **Once complete, please return the form to the parents.**

Name of child receiving sacrament:

	_____	_____	_____
	First Name	Middle	Last Name
Godparent or Sponsor:	_____	_____	_____
	First Name	Middle	Last Name
	_____	_____	
	Home Phone	Cell Phone	

Name of Your Catholic Parish:

_____	_____	_____
Parish Name	City	State

Qualifications of a Godparent/Sponsor

In accord with *Canon Law 874*, please provide the following information. **If you do not meet all of these requirements, please let the parents know immediately.**

- A Godparent/Sponsor must be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Please indicate whether you have received the three Sacraments of Initiation.
 Baptism: Yes No Confirmed in the Catholic Church: Yes No First Eucharist: Yes No
- A Godparent/Sponsor must be at least 16 years old. Are you 16 or older? Yes No
- A Godparent/Sponsor cannot be a parent of the child to be baptized. Are you a parent of the child? Yes No
- A Godparent/Sponsor must be a practicing Catholic.
 Do you attend Mass on Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation, and regularly receive the sacraments of Holy Communion and Reconciliation? Do you follow the Ten Commandments? Yes No
- Regarding the 6th Commandment, a Godparent/Sponsor must be in good standing with the Catholic Church.
 - If married, he/she must be married in the Catholic Church and living in accord with Church teaching.
 - If single, he/she must be living according to Church teaching.
 - Catholics who were married by a Justice of the Peace, at another Christian church without special permission, and those cohabiting do not meet the requirements of this role.
 Based on these guidelines, are you in good standing with the Church? Yes No
- Godparent only* - I have attended a baptism preparation class in the past four months at my home parish or the parish of baptism.
 Yes No

I have truthfully answered the above questions and declare that I fulfill the Catholic Church's requirements of a Godparent/Sponsor. I commit to the responsibility of acting as a Godparent/Sponsor.

_____	_____
Godparent/Sponsor Signature	Date

The person who has signed this form above has testified that they fulfill all canonical requirements to serve as a godparent in the Catholic Church. To be signed and sealed by the Godparent's/Sponsor's Parish of Record:

_____	_____
Signature of Pastor or Pastor's Designee	Date

(Seal)

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