

Our Lady Consolata Parish

Responsibilities and Requirements of Godparent(s) for the Sacrament of Baptism

Role of the Godparent(s)

- Give witness to the Catholic faith by words and actions
- Present the child for baptism along with the child's parents
- Help the child live a Christian life in harmony with baptism
- Help with the religious education and spiritual formation of the baptized
- Represent the Catholic Church and community of faith
- Trustworthy witness of the faith who will help the child attain salvation
- Pray for their godchild
- Help to celebrate sacramental milestones

Requirements of Godparent(s)

- One Catholic godparent, male or female, is sufficient
- If there are two godparents, must have one male and one female, cannot have two of the same gender
- Cannot be more than two godparents for one child
- May not be the mother or the father of the child
- Must be 16 or older
- Must be a fully initiated Catholic (received the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation)
- Practices his/her faith; regularly attends Mass
- If married, they are married according to the laws and practices of the Catholic Church
- A baptized non-Catholic may serve as a "witness" as long as a Catholic Godparent is present
- The non-Catholic "witness" should be an active and participating member of his/her Christian community
- A non-Catholic "witness" will not be listed on the baptismal certificate as a Godparent

INFANT BAPTISM REGISTRATION FORM

New Life in Christ



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Child's Name _____
Last *First* *Middle*

This is our _____ child.

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Father's Name _____ Religion _____

Mother's Name _____ Religion _____

Address _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Cell Phone/Pager (if appropriate) _____

Where and when is the best time to reach you? _____

Godfather's Name _____ Religious Affiliation _____

Godmother's Name _____ Religious Affiliation _____

Other Witness _____ Religious Affiliation _____

Preferred Option: At Sunday Mass _____ Sunday afternoon group _____

Visiting Presider _____ Phone _____

Allowing [number] months to complete the preparation class(es), when would you like to baptize your child?

Do you have any concerns of which we should be aware? _____

