



Checklist For Your Baby's Baptism

at Mary Immaculate Church

_____ **Do this now:**

Email completed intake form right away,
Include parish registration if necessary.

_____ **Two to three months before baptism:**

Register for pre-Baptism Gathering date
with our secretary

_____ **One month before baptism:**

Be sure we have received all signed sponsor
forms in our office

Remember:

Your baptism date is not confirmed until we have
received all forms and you have attended the pre-
Baptism Gathering.



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BAPTISM INTAKE FORM

Today's Date _____

Please print clearly

Proposed Date of Baptism* _____ Gathering Date _____

Name of Child _____ M _____ F _____
 (First, Middle, Last)

Home address _____
 (Street, City, State, Zip)

Baby's Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____ (town & State)

Family registered in Parish of Mary Immaculate Y _____ N _____

Parent Information:

Mother's Full Maiden Name _____

Father's Full Name _____

Mother's Religion _____ Father's Religion _____

Mother's Cell Phone _____ Father's Cell Phone _____

Mother's Email _____ Father's Email _____

Sponsor Information:

Godfather's Full Name _____

Godfather's address _____

Is he Catholic and Confirmed? _____ or a non-Catholic baptized Christian? _____

Godmother's Full Name _____

Godmother's address _____

Is she Catholic and Confirmed? _____ or a non-Catholic baptized Christian? _____

Is either Godparent (sponsor) to be represented by a proxy? _____

Was the child already baptized privately? _____

Was the child adopted? _____

****Baptism Date is not confirmed until all paperwork is received and confirmed via email.**



Mary Immaculate Church Parish Registration

Welcome to the Parish Family of Mary Immaculate

Please print all responses. Thank you.

TODAY'S DATE: _____

Would you like offering envelopes? Yes No

Are you interested in on-line giving? Yes No

FAMILY LAST NAME _____ Landline if you have one: _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

If different from above: MAILING ADDRESS _____

	Marital Status	Gender:	DOB (M/D/Y)	Baptism?	1st Comm?	Confirmed?	Cell Phone	Email
Head of Household Name								
Additional Members (list relationship to head)								

Add any additional family members on the back of this sheet.

Please list any additional information you think might be of interest (a business you own, a special talent, languages spoken...)



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TESTIMONY OF DESIGNATED SPONSOR

The role of sponsor is an important one for the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. Today some may see the role as honorary, but the Church sees the sponsor, popularly called a godparent, as a fully-initiated Catholic who actively supports the newly Baptized or Confirmed by good example and instruction in the Christian life.

In order to be admitted to the role of sponsor, the law of the Church directs that a person must be designated specifically by the parents of the infant or the individual who is to be baptized or confirmed. To be a sponsor, a person must be a Catholic, at least sixteen years of age, and have already received the Sacraments of the Most Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. In addition, he or she must be leading a life in harmony with the faith and not be bound by a canonical penalty.

I, _____, declare that I have been chosen to act as a sponsor for _____, who is to receive the Sacrament of Baptism/Confirmation on _____ at the Church of _____ in _____.

In assuming this responsibility, I testify that:

- **I am at least sixteen years of age.**
- **I have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.**
- **I am living a life in harmony with the teachings of the Catholic Church in faith and morals.**

Understanding the role of sponsor as prescribed by the Church and aware of the obligations and responsibilities of this role, I attest that I am willing and able to accept the role of sponsor in the Catholic Church.

By my signature, I solemnly swear that I fulfill all of the requirements to be a sponsor as described above. I attest to the truth of this statement, so help me God.

Date

Designated Sponsor

Parish

Pastor/Delegate

Parish Seal:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPONSOR FORM

The Requirements of Sponsor

The role of *sponsor* is an important one for the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. The Church sees the *sponsor* as a fully-initiated Catholic who supports the one receiving the sacrament with example and instruction. Because of the seriousness of this ministry, the Church has the following requirements:

- The sponsor must be a fully-initiated member of the Catholic Church through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.
- The sponsor must be at least sixteen (16) years of age.
 - In this case, the Catholic who is younger than 16 must be fully initiated.
- The sponsor must have an active life of faith in the Church and provide good example.
 - Someone married outside the Church is not able to receive Communion and is not able to be a sponsor.
 - Also, a Catholic who has left the Church is not able to be a sponsor of a new member into the Church.
 - Therefore, a Catholic who has left the Catholic Church cannot be a sponsor, and cannot be a "Christian witness" if they join another Christian communion.
- The sponsor cannot be either parent.
- When there are two sponsors, they are "spiritual parents" and are to be a godfather and godmother.

Christian Witness – (A baptized non-Catholic Christian)

Provided there is one Catholic sponsor, a baptized non-Catholic Christian may serve as a Christian witness for Baptism only. This person is a *Christian witness* and not a *sponsor*.

- Requirements to be a Christian Witness:
 - at least sixteen years old
 - a validly baptized Christian
 - living an upright life
 - cannot be either parent
 - cannot be a Catholic who has left the Church
- A Christian witness may never be a non-baptized person. For example, Jewish or Muslim godparents are not permitted by universal church law.
- The notation "Christian witness" is placed under the name of the non-Catholic Christian witness in the baptismal register.

This form must be signed by the parish priest where the sponsor attends Mass regularly.

The parish will also put their parish seal on the form.

Please return the original to the church where the baptism is taking place.



Christian Witness Sponsor Form

I, _____ declare that I have been chosen to act as sponsor for _____ who is to receive the Sacrament of Baptism at Mary Immaculate Church on _____.

In assuming this responsibility, I testify that

- I am at least sixteen years of age
- I have been baptized in the _____ Faith.

Understanding the role of sponsor as prescribed by the Church and aware of the obligations and responsibilities of this role, I attest that I am willing and able to accept the role of sponsor.

By my signature, I solemnly swear that I fulfill all the requirements to be sponsor as described above. I attest to the truth of this statement, so help me God.

Date

Christian Witness