

Good Shepherd Catholic Church 8200 Gold Coast Dr San Diego, CA 92126 T: (858) 271-0207

The following form is an affidavit form for the Prospective Godparent.

Please read through the instructions carefully.

This affidavit is not complete until it is signed and sealed by your parish.

Rationale of Godparent Eligibility: Godparents for the Sacrament of Baptism are called to be good examples and witnesses of the faith to those whom they are a godparent. To ensure that the Prospective Godparent can fulfill their responsibilities in raising the person in the faith, the Church has listed guidelines for a person to be a godparent. (Code of Canon Law, cc. 872-874 & 893)

Instructions:

As Catholics we are bound to Catholic rules to be good examples and witnesses to those we are godparents to. These are the guidelines that, in choosing to be a godparent, you are obligated to follow.

- The Prospective Godparent is to fill out the form and answer the questions truthfully in front of a member of their parish staff.
 - o No proof of the validity of the Prospective Godparent's answers is necessary.
 - o If married, must be married in the church.
 - o If not married, must not be living with their significant other.
 - o If has children, they are being educated in the faith.
 - Attends mass every Sunday and all holy days of obligations.
 - Regularly receives the Eucharistic and goes to Confession.
- The Prospective Godparent will sign as evidence of the validity of the answers they have provided.
- · Parish staff signs and seals the form with the Parish Seal.

* If the Prospective Godparent is registered and attending Good Shepherd Parish, the Prospective Godparent can bring this form to the office during normal business hours.

Fr. John Phan Spiritual and Sacramental Director



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VERIFICATION OF A PARISHIONER TO SERVE AS A GODPARENT FOR BAPTISM

| Name of Person to be Baptized: | | |
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| Name of Prospective Godparent: | | |
| Prospective Godparent plea | se fill out the below in front of a n | nember of your parish staff. |
| Yes No has received all the Sac | raments of Initiation (Baptism, Co | onfirmation, Holy Communion) |
| Yes No is at least 16 years old | | |
| Yes No is NOT the parent of the person being baptized | | |
| Yes No leads a life of faith in accordance to the teachings of the Catholic Church | | |
| Yes No Not Married if married, the marriage was celebrated in the Catholic Church | | |
| Yes No affirms fidelity to the tead | chings of the Catholic Church | |
| Please sign and date below once you have answered all the above questions. | | |
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| Parish Staff Signature | Parish | - |
| Prospective Godparent's Signature | Date | - Parish Seal |