

The Sacrament of Baptism for Children at Sacred Heart, Pittsfield MA

Thank you for your inquiry about Baptism! Below are some guidelines to help plan for this important and memorable day in the life of your child and family.

- It is assumed that if you are requesting Baptism for your child, *you are a practicing Catholic (or intend to be) and wish to raise your child in the Catholic Church*. It is also our expectation that you will participate in their religious education either through Faith Formation or Catholic school.
- Baptisms take place following the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday or by appointment.
- We do not usually schedule Baptism during the Lenten Season.
- You will need to meet with the Faith Formation Director prior to Baptism. If this is not your first child and you attended with prior children, this is not required.
- You should be a registered parishioner to schedule a Baptism. If you are new to the parish, please call the parish office to officially register.
- Please fill out the Baptism Registration completely and return it to the Faith Formation Office. Call Mrs. Stankiewicz at (413) 443-6960 ext 112 to schedule your meeting.
- At least one of the Godparents must be a Confirmed, practicing Catholic. Attached is a form that they should fill out. If there is one Confirmed, practicing Catholic chosen as a Godparent, you may choose the second Godparent as a Christian Witness from another Christian denomination.
- We welcome and encourage you to invite family and friends to the Baptism.
- Other families may be baptizing their child on the same date and time.

Thank you and God bless you for taking this important step in the faith of your child!

Once your child's baptism is completed, please send a photo of your child/parents at the baptism, along with the baptism date, child and parents name to lisapinkchurch@aol.com. We will put a congratulation announcement in the bulletin following the baptism.

If you have questions, feel free to call Lisa at (413) 443-6960 ext 112 or (413) 446-1240

Attended meeting (date)_____

Ready to set date_____

Date of Baptism OR REQUESTED DATE_____

Godparent(s) info. received_____

Sacred Heart BAPTISM Registration

Child's Name_____

FIRST

MIDDLE

LAST

Date of Birth_____ **Hospital**_____

Is this your first child?_____ **Have you attended Baptism prep previously?**_____

Where did you attend?_____ **Date**_____

Parent's Telephone (home)_____ **cell**_____ **Email**_____

Mother_____

First

(Maiden)

Last

Catholic?_____ **Practicing in which church?**_____

Mother place of Baptism_____ **Mother Confirmed?**_____ **Where?**_____

Father_____

First

Last

Catholic?_____ **Practicing in which church?**_____

Father place of Baptism_____ **Father Confirmed?**_____ **Where?**_____

Parents of child married?_____ **Date of Marriage**_____ **Place of Marriage**_____

Would you like information about the Sacrament of Marriage or a Catholic blessing of your marriage?_____

Address of Mother_____

Address of Father_____

GODPARENT REGISTRATION FORM IS ATTACHED AND MUST BE COMPLETED

Godmother Full Name_____

Godfather Full Name_____

Parent(s) member(s) of Sacred Heart?_____ **Envelope Number**_____

Would you like to receive envelopes?_____ **Would you like information about ParishPay?**_____

Godparent(s) Registration

Full Name of child you are asked to be Godparent for _____

Your Full Name _____

Name of the parish you currently are registered in and attending _____

Address of parish _____

Your Mailing Address _____

State, Zip _____ Your email _____ phone _____

Where were you baptized? _____

Where did you receive the Sacrament of Confirmation? _____

Date of Confirmation _____ Address of church _____

Do you understand the commitment you have agreed to? You are asked to be a positive example of a Catholic Christian in the life of this child. It is expected that through your own commitment to your faith and through regular attendance at Mass you will be a positive role model to your godchild.

Your Signature _____ Date _____