

BAPTISM REQUEST INFORMATION

Please read through and fill out the Baptismal Registration form either digitally on the website or print out the packet and email to <u>derek.edwards@goodshepherddenver.org</u>.

Welcome, and congratulations on the blessing of your child!

We share your joy and look forward to the day when your child will be welcomed into the Catholic Christian community of faith and are excited to walk with you as you prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism in this parish community.

When you invite a person(s) to serve as your child's godparent, you are asking this individual(s) to make a lifelong commitment to your child. The day of your child's Baptism marks just the beginning of the godparent-godchild relationship. It is the hope of the Church of the Catholic community that your child's godparents will be lifelong companions who will nurture your child's faith and help him or her become a true disciple of Christ.

Godparents are called to:

- Help their godchild grow in faith
- Teach their godchild about the Catholic traditions
- Model for their godchild how to live a Catholic life

When choosing a Godparent(s) they must be:

- 1. A Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Confirmation and regularly participates in the Eucharist.
- 2. An active member of a Catholic faith community
- 3. At least sixteen years of age.
- 4. If married, they must be married in the Church

All parents/guardians and godparents will be required to attend a baptism prep-class or submit a letter/certificate that they have attended a prep-class from another Catholic parish community. There is also an option to take the Ascencion Press Baptism Prep Course Online linked on the website. In-person baptism prep classes will be offered on 3rd Tuesday's of the Month (RSVP via email is required), from 7-8:30 PM.

Once completed, and having filled out all other forms, please collect all letters/certificates (if the baptism prep course is taken online) for yourself and the sponsors/godparents and submit to the office either in person or via email to Derek Edwards.

Once everything has been submitted and classes have been completed you will be able to set the date for the baptism of your child (at least 2 weeks in advance). Baptisms will be offered on most Saturdays of the month depending on availability of our deacon and pastor. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email or by phone if you have any questions during this process! I'm here to serve and walk with you during this exciting time!

God Bless You!

Derek Edwards

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