

Saint Bernadette Parish
Catholic Church

REQUIREMENTS OF BAPTISM FOR CHILDREN UNDER 7 YEARS OF AGE

To the Parents:

- ❖ The parents of the child must be members of the parish or present the permission of the parish where they are registered.
- ❖ Bring the birth certificate of the child.
- ❖ Fill out the application for Baptism.
- ❖ Schedule an interview with the priest.
- ❖ Attend the pre-baptismal class, according to the Baptism Calendar.

To the Sponsors:

- ❖ The sponsors are chosen by the parents because they will be a spiritual guide and a model of the Catholic faith for the child. For this reason, sponsors must be Catholics who practice the faith, have received all the sacraments of initiation: (Baptism, Communion and Confirmation), attend weekly Sunday Mass and be registered in the parish they attend.
- ❖ If the sponsors are married, they must be married by the Catholic Church. If they are single; they cannot be living in a free union and must be free to receive Holy Communion.
- ❖ The sponsors must bring the Baptismal Godparent Testimony Form (better known as a good standing letter) from the parish where they are registered.
- ❖ Attend the pre-baptismal class, according to the Baptism Calendar.
- ❖ If the sponsors are members of the Saint Bernadette Parish, they must attend the interview with the priest to complete and sign the eligibility testimony form for sponsors in the presence of the priest.

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Dates to remember:

Pre-baptismal Class:

Saturday: _____

Time: 8:45am-11:00am

Room 4 Faith Formation Building

***Please remember children are not allowed in the class.**

Interview with the Priest:

Tuesday: _____

Time: _____

Baptism Date:

Saturday: _____

Time: 9:45am

Birth Certificate Delivered:

Yes ___ / **No** ___

Sponsors:

Testimony of Eligibility Form Delivered: Yes ___ / **No** ___

Letter from your Parish Delivered: Yes ___ / **No** ___

Pre-Baptismal Class taken: Yes ___ / **No** ___

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