



## **Preparing for Baptism at the Church of St. Joseph**

Congratulations on the upcoming baptism of your child! Following is the information you will need in preparation for the sacrament. Please call the church several months before your baby is born.

### **Baptism Class**

You are required to attend a class if this is your first child or if it has been 2 years or more since you have taken a baptism class. Baptism Classes are offered every other month. (Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, & Nov.)

### **Scheduling the date**

Baptisms are typically held on the third Sunday of the month following the 10:30 am Mass.

### **Choosing your Sponsors**

Sponsors are required to be Catholic and actively practicing their faith. They must be age 16 or older and Confirmed.

It is essential that you have at least one sponsor. If you have two, one is to be male and the other female.

Sponsors chosen that are not members of St. Joseph must have a Baptism Sponsor Form signed by their Pastor (or his designate) at the Parish in which they are registered.

An "Honorary" Sponsor for your child would be one that is of another faith. Honorary Sponsors are welcome to participate in the ceremony, however they will not be recorded in our sacramental records and need not be listed on the information form.

### **Required Prior to Baptism**

If possible, please bring along the following to the Baptism class...

- 1) A copy of your child's birth certificate
- 2) The Baptism Information Form
- 3) The Baptism Sponsor Forms

These items must be received in the Parish Office no later than two weeks prior to the Baptism. If you are unable to acquire them in time, we will reschedule the baptism to a later date.

### **Is there a Fee?**

No, there is not a fee for baptism. Some couples choose to give a gift to the presider, but this is completely optional.

### **Questions?**

Feel free to bring your questions to the baptism class or contact Sandy in the Parish Office.

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# Baptismal Information Form - Church of St. Joseph, Waconia MN

<b>Baptism Date</b> _____ <b>Time</b> _____	<small>For Office Use Only:</small> <b>Celebrant</b> _____ <b>Signature</b> _____
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## Person to Be Baptized

**First Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Middle** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last** \_\_\_\_\_

**City of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Male [ ] Female

## Parents

**Father's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Religion** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Religion** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mother's Maiden Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Members? [ ] Yes [ ] No If no, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Date attended Class \_\_\_\_\_

## Sponsors

**Sponsor's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Religion** \_\_\_\_\_

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*Proxy (if any) who will be present for Baptism* \_\_\_\_\_

*Proxy (if any) who will be present for Baptism* \_\_\_\_\_

# Church of St. Joseph, Waconia Minnesota

## Baptism Sponsor/Godparent Form

### Required for Catholic Sponsors that are not members of St. Joseph

When a Catholic Sponsor is not a member of St. Joseph Parish, we ask that a signature be obtained from the pastor (or designated staff member) of the Parish in which they are registered.

Canon Law (#874) requires sponsors to be Catholic and fulfill the following:

- ❖ Be at least 16 years of age, confirmed, registered in a Catholic parish, and living the Catholic Faith.
- ❖ Willing to take on the responsibility of becoming a sponsor (e.g. encourage the faith practice and education of the child)

The role of Sponsor is an honor, but with it comes the responsibility of practicing and encouraging the Catholic faith into which the child (or adolescent or adult) is going to be baptized.

Please call our Parish Office if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Name of child to be baptized \_\_\_\_\_

Parents of child \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Diocese \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
(Or designee)

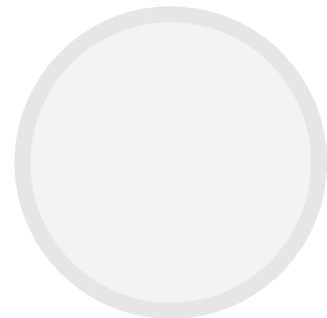
Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

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