

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church

BAPTISM INFORMATION FORM

920 Holley Avenue - St. Paul Park, Minnesota – 55071

Child's FULL Name: _____
(as it appears on the Birth Certificate)

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____ Gender: _____
(City & State)

Address (street): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent Phone: (Cell) _____ (Other) _____

Email(s): _____

Parents FULL Names

Father: _____ Religion: _____

If Catholic, which of the following sacraments have been received:

Baptism Communion Confirmation

Registered Member of

St. Thomas Aquinas: Yes _____ No _____ If no, may we register your family: Yes _____ No _____

Mother: _____ Religion: _____

Mother's Maiden Name: _____

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Baptism Communion Confirmation

Registered Member of

St. Thomas Aquinas: Yes _____ No _____ If no, may we register your family: Yes _____ No _____

Marriage Date: _____

Not Married: _____ Because a Baptismal Certificate is regarded as a legal document, if you are not married, a copy of your baby's Birth Certificate or a proof of parentage document will be required before the baptism.

Godparents:

Only one godparent is required, but they must be at least 16 years old and a Confirmed and practicing Catholic.

Godparent: _____ Confirmed Catholic: _____ Age: _____

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Baptismal Preparation Session Date: _____ **Requested Baptism Date:** _____

Mass: _____ Number of pews to reserve: _____ Officiating Minister: _____

Notes/Special Considerations: _____

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The Sacrament of BAPTISM

Sacraments are holy, visible signs instituted by Christ of an invisible reality, in which Christians can experience the healing, forgiving, nourishing, strengthening presence of God that enables them to love in turn; this is possible because God's grace works in the sacraments. Baptism is the first sacrament of initiation. Baptism is the way out of the kingdom of death into life, the gateway to the Church and the beginning of a lasting communion with God. It is the foundational Sacrament and the prerequisite for all other sacraments. It unites us with Jesus Christ, incorporates us into his redemptive death of the Cross, thereby freeing us from the power of Original Sin and all personal sins, and causes us to rise with him to a life without end. Since Baptism is a covenant with God, the individual must say "yes" to it. In the case of the Baptism of children, the parents confess the Faith on behalf of the children.

Source: Youcat, The Catechism of the Catholic Church for Youth 194

Confirmation is the completion of Baptism where a child has grown and studied the Catholic faith and chooses to say "yes" to God and confirm their personal belief. A Confirmation candidate may choose one of their Baptism godparents as their Confirmation sponsor.

There is never a cost to receive a sacrament, but it is customary for the family of the child being baptized to make a donation to the parish.

PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT AND RELEASE FORM

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Family Name (please print): _____

Authorized by (signature): _____

Opportunities to Continue your Faith Journey~

If you were not married in the Catholic Church, would you like our Marriage Coordinator to contact you about how you could receive the Sacrament of Matrimony? Yes _____ No _____

If you or your spouse are not Catholic, would you like our RCIA Coordinator to contact you about becoming a Confirmed Catholic? Yes _____ No _____

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