



## **St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church**

### **Baptism Requirement Packet**

**Baptisms are celebrated one Saturday a month.**

**English at 10:30 am – Spanish at 11:30 am**

**The Rite of Baptism for Children is only for children under the age of 7. Children 7 and older will need to receive “The Rite of Christian Initiation for Children” (RCIC); a process that takes at least 3 years.**

#### **Parent Requirements**

- Complete the Baptism Registration Form.
- Attach a certified copy of child’s Birth Certificate.
- Must attend Pre- Baptismal Class.

#### **Godparent Requirements**

Godparents accept the responsibility to raise the child in the Catholic Faith.

- Only one Godfather or Godmother is necessary; if two are chosen they **MUST** be the opposite sex.
- Must be 16 years or older
- Godparent/s **MUST** attend Pre-Baptismal Class
- A qualified Godparent **MUST** have all Sacraments of Initiation (\*)

**\* Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation. If married Godparent **MUST** be married in the Catholic Church.**

**\*\* Individuals only married civilly or living in a relationship without the Sacrament of Marriage - **DO NOT** qualify as Godparents.**

**\*\*\* Please Note that if you have chosen a person aside from a Godparent that do not meet all of the above qualifications, they can be considered a witness and **MUST** still attend the Pre- Baptismal Class.**

**Requirements must be completed two weeks prior to the date of the baptism ceremony.**

**A \$65 Minimum Stipend is required the day the Baptism Registration Form is submitted to the office.**



**St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church**  
**Baptism Registration Form**

Inquiring Ceremony Date \_\_\_\_\_ Ceremony: ☐ English ☐ Spanish

Child Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Mo Day Year

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Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
City State

**FAMILY INFORMATION**

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt/Unit# \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell/Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Fathers Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Language \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Baptized? Y ☐ N ☐ First Eucharist? Y ☐ N ☐ Confirmation? Y ☐ N ☐

How often do you attend Mass? \_\_\_\_\_

Mothers (Full MAIDEN) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Language \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Baptized? Y ☐ N ☐ First Eucharist? Y ☐ N ☐ Confirmation? Y ☐ N ☐

How often do you attend Mass? \_\_\_\_\_

Catholic Marriage Y ☐ N ☐ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Civil Marriage Y ☐ N ☐ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a registered Parishioner of St. Teresa? Y ☐ N ☐ Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_

Are you registered at another Parish? If so, where? \_\_\_\_\_



## GODPARENTS

**\*Please note that only one is necessary and required. Two Godparents is optional as long as they are of the opposite sex. If you live with your partner and have not received the Sacrament of Marriage in the Catholic Church you cannot be a Godparent.**

**Name (1)** \_\_\_\_\_

Female ☐ Male ☐ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Catholic? Y ☐ N ☐

Married? Y ☐ N ☐ Married in the Catholic Church? Y ☐ N ☐

Baptism? Y ☐ N ☐ First Communion? Y ☐ N ☐ Confirmation? Y ☐ N ☐

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Name (2)** \_\_\_\_\_

Female ☐ Male ☐ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Catholic? Y ☐ N ☐

Married? Y ☐ N ☐ Married in the Catholic Church? Y ☐ N ☐

Baptism? Y ☐ N ☐ First Communion? Y ☐ N ☐ Confirmation? Y ☐ N ☐

Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Witnesses (Optional)

Non-Catholic/Catholic without all Sacraments of Initiation or Living in a relationship without the Sacrament of Marriage

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Notes** \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Office Use Only** \*requirements

\*Copy of certified birth certificate ☐

\*Parents completed Baptismal Class ☐

\*Godparents/Witness completed Baptismal Class ☐

Baptism Certificate printed ☐

Baptism Date \_\_\_\_\_

Celebrant of Baptism \_\_\_\_\_



## A Parent's Prayer

Most Loving Father, the example of parenthood.

Teach me what to give and what to withhold.

Show me when to reprove and when to praise.

Make me gentle and considerate, yet firm and watchful.

Keep me from weak indulgence, or from great severity.

Give me the courage to be disliked sometimes by my children,  
When I must do necessary things which are displeasing in their  
eyes.

Give me the imagination to enter into their world,

In order to understand and guide them.

Give me all the virtues/need to lead them by the word and example  
On the path of righteousness.



## **Appropriate Dress Attire**

*Dear Parents and Godparents,*

*Do you know that when you enter a church something profound happens?*

*We leave behind a secular place and step into a sacred space. In this holy environment, we are in the presence of God, which always calls for reverence and respect from all of us. No matter how simple or modest the church may be, it is a unique space for worship.*

*With this in mind, please observe the following guidelines:*

**Women:** *Spaghetti straps or strapless garments are not permitted unless you have a shawl or covering for your shoulders*

**Men:** *Please wear your Sunday best, including slacks and a nice shirt. If it is winter, a light sports jacket is appropriate.*

**Men & Women:** *Shorts, T-shirts, or flip-flops are not suitable for this celebration. Additionally, clothing with inappropriate messages or images is not allowed.*

*Please be aware of this dress code is not adhered to on the day of the Baptism, the Priest or Deacon may ask to reschedule the ceremony until the dress code is followed.*