

Godparent Eligibility Certificate

Baptism is a sacrament of initiation that offers us a share in the life of God and immerses us in the community and mission of the Catholic Church. A godparent represents the Catholic Church at Baptism and then serves as a spiritual support and life role model for the person so they can see a disciple in action. Godparents should be at least 16 years old and must have celebrated the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Their current lifestyle should be in accord with the Catholic faith.

Congratulations on being asked to serve as a godparent! Someone sees something honorable in your life that they want modeled for their own child. As you can see from the above paragraph, this role is more than just standing up with the family on Baptism day. It involves a commitment on your part to practice and hand on the Catholic way of life to the child you are sponsoring. Please express that commitment by attesting to the following statements.

Check those that apply:

My life bears witness to my readiness for the role of godparent because:

- I am a baptized and currently practicing Catholic at least 16 years of age
- I have celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist (Holy Communion)
- I regularly participate in Sunday and Holy Day Masses and give witness to my faith in Jesus by regularly receiving Holy Communion.
- I am a registered member of my parish.
- I am living my vocation as a single person, a validly married person (in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church), a religious, or a clergy person.
- I actively strive to live out my commitment to Christ and to the community life of the Church by my generous and loving response to those with whom I come in contact daily.
- I intend to encourage my godchild in the practice of the Catholic faith through my prayer, and by my word and example.

My full name _____
(printed name) (signature)

Name & address of my parish: _____

Name of godchild: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY PASTOR/DELEGATE OF THE GODPARENT'S PARISH

I verify that the above named candidate is a registered member of this parish and meets the requirements to serve as a godparent.

(pastor's signature) (date)

AFFIX PARISH SEAL TO THIS DOCUMENT

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