

## **INFANT BAPTISM POLICY & GUIDELINES DIOCESE OF PHOENIX**

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**Policy 1` Arrangements for Baptism are to be made through a personal conversation with the parish priest or designated minister --prior to the Baptism.**

**Policy 2: Parents are expected to participate in a preparation process for the baptism of their children.**

**Policy 2.1: When parents are in need of formation in the Christian faith, it is the responsibility of the parish to provide opportunities for adequate development of their faith.**

**Policy 3: Every parish or group of parishes shall ensure sacramental preparation for parents prior to the baptism. Catechesis and preparation that is appropriate for the needs of the family with additional children should be provided.**

**Policy 4: Extreme, serious lack of the elements below would constitute legitimate reason for delaying the baptism of the child. The purpose of delay is to allow time for the parent(s) to come to a fuller understanding of their own faith life and that of their child, and their relationship and responsibility to the parish community.**

### **GODPARENTS and SPONSORS**

**Policy 5: In the baptism of infants parents take responsibility for choosing a godparent(s) who will serve as good examples for living the Catholic way of life. A godparent can later serve as a sponsor of the child when he/she is confirmed.**

**Policy 5.1: It is customary to have two godparents, however only one is required for baptism. A godparent may be either male or female. If two godparents are chosen, one must be male and one female. A godparent must be a fully initiated Roman Catholic, (baptized, confirmed and receiving the Eucharist), at least sixteen years of age. A baptized non-Catholic may be chosen as a Christian witness provided there is at least one Catholic godparent.**

**Policy 6: No fees are to be charged for the preparation of parents for the Sacrament of infant Baptism or for the administration of the Sacrament of Baptism. This also applies to materials or textbooks. A suggested donation can be recommended.**

**Attached you will find documents to be filled out at your convince prior to the class or on the day you will attend the class. Please down load the documents.**

**Infant Baptism Data Form / Infant Baptism Data Form**

**PLEASE PRINT/ POR FAVOR IMPRIMIR**

Book/libro \_\_\_\_\_ Date class completed / Fecha Clase completada: \_\_\_\_\_

Page/Página \_\_\_\_\_

Line/Línea \_\_\_\_\_

Intake Date/Fecha de Registración \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: # / Teléfono: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHILD'S NAME/ EL NOMBRE DEL NIÑO** \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST/PRIMER MIDDLE/MEDIO LAST/ÚLTIMO**

**DATE OF BIRTH/ FECHA/DE NACIMIENTO** \_\_\_\_\_ **CITY & STATE/ CIUDAD Y ESTADO** \_\_\_\_\_

**HAS CHILD BEEN BAPTIZED/EI NIÑO A SIDO BAUTIZADO DE EMERGENCIA (HOSPITAL, PRIVATE, EMERGENCY, PRIVATE, CHURCH/ hospital, privado, emergencia, iglesia) No** \_\_\_\_\_

**GUARDIANSHIP/TUTOR** \_\_\_\_\_

**FATHER'S NAME/NOMBRE DEL PADRE** \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST/PRIMER MIDDLE/MEDIO LAST/ULTIMOO**

**RELIGION** \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTHER'S NAME PRIOR TO MARRIAGE/ NOMBRE DE LA MADRE ANTES DEL MATRIMONI**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**FIRST/PRIMER MIDDLE/ MEDIO LAST/ÚLTIMO**

**RELIGION/** \_\_\_\_\_

**MATERIAL STATUS/RELATIONSHIP/ ESTADO MATERIAL/SOLTERO/A** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS/ DIRECCIÓN:** \_\_\_\_\_ **APT** \_\_\_\_\_ **CITY/ CIUDAD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ZIP CODE/ CÓDIGO POSTAL :** \_\_\_\_\_

**ARE YOU REGISTERED AT QUEEN OF PEACE/ ¿ESTÁN REGISTRADOS EN REINA DE LA PAZ?** \_\_\_\_\_ **HOW LONG/ CUÁNTO TIEMPO?** \_\_\_\_\_

**GODFATHER/ PADRINO** \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST/ PRIMER**

**MIDDLE/ MEDIO**

**LAST/ÚLTIMO**

**RELIGION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GODMOTHER/ MADRINA** \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST/ PRIMER**

**MIDDLE/ MEDIO**

**LAST/ÚLTIMO**

**RELIGION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CHRISTIAN WITNESSES/TESTIGOS CRISTIANOS**

**NAME/NOMBRE:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST/ PRIMER**

**LAST/ÚLTIMO**

**NAME/NOMBRE**

\_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST/ PRIMER**

**LAST/ÚLTIMO**

**DATE BAPTISM CELEBRATED/ FECHA DEL BAUTISMO** \_\_\_\_\_

**MINISTER/ MINISTRO:** \_\_\_\_\_

***ALL ITALICIZED ENTRIES MUST AGREE WITH BIRTH CERTIFICATE/TODA LA INFORMACIÓN DEBE ESTAR DE ACVERDO CON EL CERTIFICADO DE NACIMIENTO***

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# *Baptism Sponsor Agreement*

As a Baptism sponsor your role is to support the parent as the primary teacher of their child, and encourage the faith of your Godchild, and to be an "good role model" to your Godchild, and to reflect with your Godchild as he/she grow on the meaning of a life of Catholic discipleship.

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I understand the requirements of being a baptism sponsor and I state that I received the **Sacrament of Baptism**

at \_\_\_\_\_ Church in  
\_\_\_\_\_ (City and State)

I received the **Sacrament of Confirmation**

at \_\_\_\_\_ Church in  
\_\_\_\_\_ (City and State)

(and if married) **celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage**

at \_\_\_\_\_ Church in  
\_\_\_\_\_ (City and State)

My Godchild's name is \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parish and city where baptism is to take place

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

I am active in the Catholic Church, fully initiated into the Catholic Church, regularly attend Mass and strive to live the faith.

Please Print your name and sign.

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## *Acuerdo del Patrocinador del Bautismo*

Como patrocinador del bautismo, su función es apoyar al padre como el maestro primario de su hijo, y alentar la fe de su ahijado, y ser un "buen modelo a seguir" para su ahijado, y

reflexionar con su ahijado cuando él / ella Crecer en el significado de una vida de discipulado católico.

***El Código de Derecho Canónico (Ley de la Iglesia) especifica los requisitos para servir como padrinos en el Bautismo (Canon 874). Usted no puede ser el padre de la persona que está siendo bautizada, debe tener por lo menos 16 años, debe ser completamente iniciado (Bautismos, Confirmación y Eucaristía), si está casado, estar en un matrimonio católico válido, y vivir una vida de Activa en la Iglesia Católica.***

**Entiendo los requisitos de ser un patrocinador del bautismo y declaro que recibí el Sacramento del Bautismo**

a \_\_\_\_\_ En la Iglesia  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Ciudad y estado)

**Recibí el Sacramento de la Confirmación**

a \_\_\_\_\_ En la Iglesia  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Ciudad y estado)

**(Y si es casado) celebra el Sacramento del Matrimonio**

a \_\_\_\_\_ En la Iglesia  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Ciudad y estado)

El nombre de mi ahijado es \_\_\_\_\_

Nombre de la parroquia y ciudad donde se llevará a cabo el bautismo,

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Ciudad y estado \_\_\_\_\_

Soy activo en la Iglesia Católica, completamente iniciado en la Iglesia Católica, regularmente asiste a la Misa y se esfuerza por vivir la fe.

Por favor, escriba su nombre y firma.

Imprimir nombre \_\_\_\_\_

Firma \_\_\_\_\_ Fecha \_\_\_\_\_