

As you think about the baptism of your child, questions arise.

**What does faith mean to me/my spouse?*

**How do I/we live my/our faith?*

**Is the Church an authentic expression of my/our own life?*

**What is the faith I/we want our child to have?*

Responsible Baptism requires a careful consideration of such questions. In having a child baptized, parents are making a commitment of faith. Parents are committing themselves to regular and active participation in the life of the Church so that the transmission of faith to their child will become a reality.

We hope that the Baptism Preparation session will give you some assistance in answering these questions.



Choosing Godparents For Your Child

Prayerful thought should be given about the choice of Godparents for your child. This is not just an honor bestowed on a good friend or a close family member. Godparents assist parents in bringing the child into the life of the church. Because of this, Godparents should regularly worship and participate in the life of the Church. At least one must be a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Confirmation. One Godparent may be a member of another Christian faith who regularly worships and participates in the Church. If there are two Godparents, one must be male and one female. They should be at least sixteen years of age.

In accepting the responsibility of being a Godparent, the person is saying he/she wishes to become involved in the faith life of that child. The Godparent should be someone who will continually develop a relationship with the child to counsel, give assistance, and share faith as he/she grows to maturity. We ask that you share these expectations with the Godparents you choose.

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Holy Angels/ St. Anthony Pastoral Region Baptismal Preparation



Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1213) Through Baptism, we are freed from sin and reborn as children of God. We thus become members of the Body of Christ, and are incorporated into the Church, sharing in her mission.

Baptism Schedule

Baptisms will be scheduled twice per month as follows:

- 2nd Sunday of the month during the 10 a.m. Mass (limit 1 baptism per Mass)
- 4th Sunday of the month immediately following the 10 a.m. Mass

Baptisms can be requested at any Mass pending liturgical schedule and permission of the Pastor.

There are no baptisms during Lent.



Baptism Preparation

- Baptism Prep includes one meeting with the Director of Evangelization & one Baptism Class.
- The Preparation Class can be taken at either St. Anthony or Holy Angels.

Pre-Registration is mandatory for both locations!

*Pre-Registration at St. Anthony:
Sharon Christy 253-9132 x130*

*Pre-Registration at Holy Angels:
Sr. Annette Grisley 229-5915*

St. Anthony

Baptism Preparation class occurs at St. Anthony on the following dates from 6:30 – 8:00 pm:

September 20
November 15
January 17
March 21
May 16
July 18

Holy Angels

Baptism Preparation class occurs at Holy Angels on the following dates from 1-2 p.m.

September 10
October 8
November 12
December 10
January 14
February 11
March 11
April 8

Pre-Registration is mandatory