



Baptism Registration **St. Stephen Catholic Church**

Congratulations on this beautiful step in your child's faith journey! Baptism is a joyful celebration of God's love and a new beginning in the life of grace. At St. Stephen, we're here to guide and support your family as you prepare for this sacrament.

English Baptisms are offered on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 9:00 am

Spanish Baptisms are offered on the 2nd Saturday of every month at 10:00 am or on the 4th Sunday of every month at 1:00 pm

1. Parental Requirements

- a. Parents must be willing to bring their child up in the Catholic Faith. Baptism is the beginning of supernatural life, but it must be nurtured throughout life.
- b. Parents must attend a **baptism preparation class** here or at their parish. English classes are offered on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7:00pm. Spanish classes are offered on the 1st Thursday of every month at 7:00 pm
- c. There is a \$50 suggested donation for baptisms. You can make your donation online or in the office.

2. Choose your Child's Godparents and have them complete the Sponsor/Godparent Eligibility Form

The Catholic Church requires the following of Godparents: (canon 874.1)

- a. Are chosen by the parents or guardians.
- b. Are at least 16 years of age.
- c. Must be practicing Catholics that have been Confirmed and have received the Holy Eucharist. If married, Godparent must be married in the Catholic Church.
- d. If two are chosen, one must be male and the other female.
- e. ****Non-Catholic Witness (Can.874.2)** A baptized person belonging to a non-Catholic church community may be admitted as a witness to baptism but only along with a Catholic Godparent. This person is not formally called a Godparent, but will be referred to as a Christian Witness.

3. Required Paperwork

If you plan to have your child baptized at St. Stephen please complete and return the following to the St. Stephen's office to secure your date.

- a. Attached Registration Form
- b. Copy of the Child's Birth Certificate
- c. Sponsor/Godparent Eligibility form
- d. Certificate of completion of baptism preparation class.

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All information is confidential and recorded in Parish Registry. Please complete each field as stated on the child's birth certificate.

Today's Date: _____ Baptism Date Requested: _____

Child's Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ City & State of Birth _____

Father's Full Name: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Was the child adopted? Yes () No () If so, legal documentation is needed.

Godparent Information

Godfather's Full Name: _____

Godmother's Full Name: _____

Will either Godparent be represented by a Proxy(ies)? Yes () No ()

Name of Christian Witness (if applicable): _____

Religion of Christian Witness: _____

By signing below, I certify that all information provided on this form, is true and correct; and I hereby give permission for the baptism of the above named child in the Catholic Church.

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date

Office Use Only:

Baptism Date: _____

Registration Form		Godparent Form		Recorded	
Birth Certificate		Preparation Class		Donation	