

Baptismal Register Information Form (rev. Sept. 2019)

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

St. John the Baptist, Arcadia St. Bernard, Breda St. Elizabeth Seton, Glidden

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Name of Child _____ Boy Girl

Date of Birth _____ City of Birth _____

Hospital _____

Dear Parents:

- ☉ **If this is the first child to be baptized in our Parish Grouping**, we ask the parents to take a Baptism Preparation Class. The Godparents are most welcome to attend as well. Please email one or both Frs. Tims (above) to set up a time (we hope to have regular day/time soon).
- ☉ To assure all information corresponds with other records, please provide a copy of the original **birth certificate** along with this completed form to the office. They may be dropped off at the Breda office, given to one of the priests at a weekday/end Mass, or emailed to one or both Frs. Tims.
- ☉ **We ask parents be registered in their parish** (if you live outside our parish grouping, we ask for permission from your pastor and fulfillment of your own parish's procedures for baptism).
- ☉ **If the child is 7 years old or older**, the Church instructs us that s/he is to be prepared for the baptism; s/he will need one year of religious education to prepare for baptism, which begins her/his faith formation.

Father's full name _____

First Middle Last

Religion of Father _____ Practicing? Yes No

Mother's full name _____

First Middle (MAIDEN) Married Last

Religion of Mother _____ Practicing? Yes No

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Phone Number(s) _____

Email Address(es): _____

Was your child privately baptized? Yes No If "yes", by whom, when, where & why?

Was your child adopted? Yes No If "yes", when was the adoption final? _____

Baptism Dates/Times:

- ☉ We are born into a family, and baptized into the Church, "in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit." So, there is no "private" baptism *per se*; the fullest time to celebrate a baptism—really any sacrament—is during the Mass. **And most especially during the Mass that your family normally attends.**
- ☉ We do allow baptisms to be held after Masses, except the 8am Sunday Masses, because we need to get to the next Mass.
- ☉ If there are ever more than one baptism wanted on a particular day/time/Mass, the baptism will be done together—within or after the Mass—whatever was requested by the first family to notify us of that day/time/Mass.
- ☉ You may request your preferred date and time, in or after Mass, but **we may ask you to adjust a bit** due to the above points. — **Call or email** the priests (see above) to check on possible dates and times **before** filling out the information below and submitting this form. (Emailing is preferred for scheduling, because a record of emails can be kept.)

Requested Date & Time of Baptism _____

Priest/Deacon: _____

Lastly, parents, are you, married in the Catholic Church? Yes No

If "No", please explain when and where you were married, and also indicate whether you would like to meet with a priest/deacon to discuss your marital status and what you might do to either to be married or to have your marriage "blessed" (convalidated):

Dear Parents and chosen Godparents (Sponsors): We wish to share with you what the Church, in the Code of Canon Law [Latin abbr. = CIC], asks of Godparents (Sponsors):

- ☉ The Godparent, “together with the parents, presents an infant for baptism. A sponsor also helps the baptized person to lead a Christian life in keeping with baptism and to fulfill faithfully the obligations inherent in it” (CIC 872);
- ☉ “There is to be **only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each**” (CIC 873).
- ☉ “To be permitted to take on the function of sponsor a person must: have **completed the sixteenth year of age**; be a Catholic who **has been confirmed** and has already **received the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist** and who **leads a life of faith** in keeping with the function to be taken on; not be the father or mother of the one to be baptized” (CIC 874 § 1). —E.g., if a Godparent is married, s/he should be **married in the Catholic Church**.
- ☉ **A non-Catholic Baptized Christian** may participate only “together with a Catholic sponsor and then only as a witness of the baptism” (CIC 874 § 2). — This is an official distinction; the family, of course, may refer to that Christian witness as Godmother/father. This witness is to be living a Christian life, of course!

Godfather’s Full Name _____
First Middle Last
Religion of Godfather _____ Practicing? Yes No

Godmother’s Full Name _____
First Middle Last
Religion of Godmother _____ Practicing? Yes No

Is either or both Godparent represented by a proxy (someone standing in for them)? Yes No

Name of Male Proxy _____
First Middle Last

Name of Female Proxy _____
First Middle Last

By my signature below, I affirm that I have **read the policies and canons** provided, and that to the best of my knowledge **all the information provided is accurate** and **all requirements are being followed**. (If necessary, the Godparent’s(-s’) signature(s) can be done right before the baptism.)

Father’s Signature _____ **Date** _____

Mother’s Signature _____ **Date** _____

Godfather’s Signature _____ **Date** _____

Godmother’s Signature _____ **Date** _____