

Holy Rosary Parish
Preparation & Requirements for Baptism of Infants/Young Children

Choosing a date for your child's baptism-

Baptisms in English are celebrated the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00 am
Baptisms in Spanish are the last Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. Dates and times may vary, please check with the parish office for specific information. *(There are NO baptisms celebrated during the Lenten season.)* You must complete necessary requirements prior to the day of the baptism.

Interview with clergy -

If you are not already registered as parishioners of Holy Rosary, you will need to complete the process at this time. You will need to provide necessary information, including names and phone numbers of both Godparents.

Requirements to bring at time of interview: Copy of child's certificate of birth, suggested stipend and documents of godparents who meet canon law requirements.

Attend a Baptism Preparation Class-

The Baptism Preparation class is designed to help parents and godparents better understand the sacrament of baptism and the responsibility of the child's faith formation through to adulthood. Parents and Godparents must attend a mandatory class to complete the baptism preparation process. The class in **English** is offered on the **first Wednesday of each month, 7:00 to 9:30 pm** in the Parish Center. It is not necessary to register prior to attending the class. The deacon will obtain your information before the class begins. The Class in *Spanish* is offered **one Friday per month** (Please check the calendar with the office) **6:30 to 8:30 pm** in the Parish Center.

Please make arrangements for a babysitter if you have young children.

If you need a letter of attendance for a baptism at another parish, please provide name and address of the parish prior to the class. A letter will be provided upon completion of the class.

* If you have attended a Baptism Prep class within the past two years, you are not required to attend this class, however, you must provide proof of attendance.

Stipend-

Stipends are donations, or offerings, made to the church to allow its clergy to continue their ministry and provide the facilities for worship and the dispensing of sacraments. It is the hope of the parish that the customary amount of \$75.00 would be possible for each family, however, if you are unable to meet this cost please talk to the priest or deacon during your interview.

Please call the **Church Office** at **(925) 757-4020**
to schedule your appointment for interview with priest or deacon.

We pray that this blessed day be a beautiful experience for everyone
and affirmation of your commitment to the Christian faith.

