

BAPTISM REGISTRATION FORMS

Saint Anselm Catholic Church

2222 W. 70th Street

Los Angeles, CA 90043

(323)758-6729

Dear Parents,

Enclosed are the forms and guidelines for obtaining the Sacrament of Baptism for Infants (newborns—age 6) at St. Anselm's Parish.

We ask you to read it carefully and provide us with all information necessary as you prepare for the baptism of your child. All information needed is in conformity with the Guidelines for Infant Baptism for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, California.

Baptism is no mere social convention, but the Sacrament in which Christ Himself purifies, justifies and sanctifies (cf. 1 Peter 1:23) your child for eternal life. We rejoice with you in the birth of your child and look forward to welcoming him into the family of God and the communion of the Holy Catholic Church.

Please contact our Parish Office (323)758-6729 if you have any questions, and may God bless you and your child.

CHECKLIST FOR BAPTISM OF INFANTS

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For Parents:

_____ Complete Infant Baptism Request Form and turn in to the Parish Office

_____ Attend a Baptism Preparation Class, either at St. Anselm or another parish (if you have taken a baptism class within the past three years, you do not need to take another class).

_____ required documents:

- Copy of your child's State-registered Birth Certificate
- Certificates of attendance at a Baptism Preparation class within the past three years, for parents and Godparents.
- If you are not a parishioner of St. Anselm - A letter from your parish pastor granting permission for your child to be baptized at St. Anselm.
- Letters of Verification of Full Communion with the Church from the parish of each Godparent
- Parents and Godparent Sacramental Certificates

_____ \$60 minimum donation, due at time of registration

For Godparents*:

_____ Inform Godparents of their requirements to attend a Baptism Preparation Class (again, if they have taken one of these classes within the past three years, this will not be necessary).

_____ Ask each Godparent to request a Letter of Verification of Full Communion with the Church from their parish. The letter must be signed by the pastor and stamped with the parish seal. *For a person to stand as a Godparent, the following requirements must be met:

- Be designated by the parents or legal guardians
- Have the intention of performing the role of a godparent
- Be at least 16 years old
- Be a fully initiated Catholic (received Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation)
- Lead a life in harmony with the Catholic Faith and role of a godparent (i.e. be a registered member of a parish, attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days and faithful to the laws of the Church regarding marriage)
- Not bound by any canonical penalty
- Not the father or mother of the candidate

At least one of the persons you choose must fulfil these requirements. If you wish to honor a non-Catholic member of your family, they may stand as a Christian Witness to your child's Baptism, provided they have already been baptized.

INFANT BAPTISM REQUEST FORM

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Please print all information clearly.

Name of Child:

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Date of Birth _____ City & State of Birth _____

Name of Mother:

First _____ Middle _____ Maiden _____

Religion of Mother _____ Daytime Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

Name of Father:

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Religion of Father _____ Daytime Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

Has your child been previously baptized? _____ If so, where? _____

Parish where you are registered _____ How long? _____

How often do you attend Mass (weekly, monthly, never or other)? Mother _____ Father _____

How are you involved in parish life? _____

Requested month of Baptism: _____

Questions Regarding Marriage

Are you married? _____ Name of Church _____

Date of Marriage _____ City & State _____

If not married in a church, where were you married?

We hereby request the Sacrament of Baptism for our child:

(Parents or at least one of the parents or legal guardians must consent to the Baptism)

Father _____ Date _____

Mother _____ Date _____

GODPARENT CERTIFICATE

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I, _____,
a registered member of _____ Catholic Church,
located in (City & State) _____,
have been asked to be a godparent for (Child's Name) _____,
Son/Daughter of (Parents' names) _____
who resides at (Parents' Address) _____
as he/she celebrates the Sacrament of Baptism.

I affirm that:

- I have received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) in the Catholic Church and, if married, I am validly married according to the norms of the Catholic Church.
- I am at least 16 years or older.
- I participate regularly in Sunday Mass and I am able to receive the Holy Eucharist.
- I am not bound by any canonical penalty legitimately imposed or declared.
- I am to be instructed properly on the meaning of this Sacrament and the obligations attached to it.
- I understand and accept the responsibility that I undertake as a Godparent.

Signature of Godparent

Date

(for office staff)

Baptism Date: _____

Baptized by: _____