



*St. Elizabeth*  
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**REQUIREMENTS FOR BAPTISM  
 FORM A**

**Baptisms in English** – First Sunday of every 3 months at **2:30 p.m.**  
**Baptisms in Spanish** – 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month **9:00 a.m.**

**We baptize children from this parish only**, unless permission is obtained from their own parish. This permission must be brought in with the registration form. We consider anyone attending mass here to belong to our parish therefore we require that you register.

**The child’s birth certificate must be brought in for verification of data.** Children may be baptized from birth up to 6 years of age. Once they are 7 years old they must attend religious education classes for a full year, as preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism.

**Requirements for Parents**

**Only the parents, father and/or mother, can register their child for Baptism.** If one parent is not Catholic he or she must agree to the Catholic Baptism and also agree to the Catholic upbringing. This is true even if parents are separated. **It is expected that there be a reasonable assurance that the parents intend to educate the child in the Catholic Faith**, otherwise, it is not possible to baptize the child. If both parent’s names appear in the birth certificate it requires that both parents sign the application and/or that proof of sole custody is presented.

**Requirements for the Godparents**

**THE GODPARENT REQUIREMENTS FORM (FORM B) MUST BE COMPLETE AND SIGNED BEFORE RESERVING THE DATE**

**The Godparents must be Catholics, over the age of 16, have completed all sacraments and if married they must be married by the Catholic Church; they cannot live in common law (Church marriage certificate required).**

**Preparation Classes**

It is required that both parents and godparents attend preparation classes. If they do not live in the area, a proof of class attendance is required. If you have attended preparation classes within a year, you can bring proof and do not have to take them again. Classes are held one month prior to the date of baptism on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Spanish in the church, or on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in English in the side chapel. Dates of classes are given according to date of baptism. **Classes are to be taken prior to the Baptism; otherwise, the baptism is cancelled or postponed. Any proof should be in the office 1 week prior to the Baptism.**

**Notes**

- \* We ask the parents to register their child at least 2 months before the desired date. Both parents need to come and sign the registration form.
- \*Parents and godparents must be at the Church with the child 15 minutes early so that the ceremony can begin on time. Those who arrive late may be excluded and will have to reschedule the Baptism.
- \*The donation is **\$75.00**(Diocesan Stipulation), with or without the two classes. It is non-refundable.
- \*It is customary for the godparents to bring the candle that is used during the ceremony.

**BAPTISM                    BAPTISMAL CLASSES**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_      **1st.** \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_                      **2nd** \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_

**I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THE REQUIREMENTS:**\_\_\_\_\_



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**REQUIREMENTS FOR BAPTISM GODPARENTS**

**FORM B**

*(This form must be signed by the church pastor and include the parish seal)*

**Please present photo ID**

Childs Name to be baptized: \_\_\_\_\_

Godparents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Church they belong to: \_\_\_\_\_

**Congratulations!**

You have been invited to be Godparents in the Sacrament of **Baptism**. a Godparent is normally the person in charge of guiding a child in the faith of the church, represents the church in accepting the child as part of the church, aides the parents in the faith formation and education of the child. The requirement is of at least one Godparent either male or female, if there are two it should be a male and a female it cannot be two males or two females.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENT (Canon 874,1)**

1. MUST BE CATHOLIC
2. MUST BE OLDER THAN 16
3. MUST BE BAPTIZED, CONFIRMED AND HAVE RECEIVED THEIR FIRST COMUNION
4. MUST MEET THE LAWS OF THE CHURCH PERTAINING TO MARRIAGE
  - a. Must be married by the Catholic Church or be single (**NO COMMON LAW**)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ declare that I am Catholic and meet all the requirements to be a Godparent. I make the commitment of educating and guiding my God child in accordance to the teachings of the Church

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature

**For Parish Use**

*(This section is to be filled out by parish priest)*

*Please check all that apply:*

**The person/s named above:**

- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Is/are Catholic
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Is/are older than 16
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Has/ have received the sacraments of baptism, first communion and confirmation
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ N/A\_\_ Is/are single
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ N/A\_\_ Is/are married by the Catholic Church (must present proof of marriage by Catholic Church)
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Is/are members of this parish.
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Is/ are registered in this parish
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Live/s within the parish boundaries
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Attended pre-baptism classes to be Godparent/s  
 (PLEASE PROVIDE SEPARATE PROOF)
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Have/has permission to be Godparent/s outside of this Church
- YES\_\_ NO\_\_ Have/has permission to be Godparent/s in this Church

Signature of priest: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of priest completing form: \_\_\_\_\_



