

St. Therese of the Little Flower Catholic Church



Preparing for Infant Baptism

(Please read carefully)

Children who are not yet of catechetical age (generally, under seven years old) are happily brought to the Church by their parents for the Sacrament of Baptism. The Sacrament of Baptism is the initial gift of faith given by God, beginning the child's faith life and making him/her a child of God.

- At least one parent must be a Catholic member of the parish and practicing the Catholic Faith.
- At least one Catholic godparent acts as a witness to the Baptism and companion with the parents in raising the child in our Catholic Faith. If two godparents are chosen, both must be practicing Catholics.
- The parents and godparent(s) must attend one Pre-Baptismal Preparation class before the Baptism can be scheduled.
- If the parents are asking for Baptism at Little Flower Church but worship at another parish, they must meet our requirements and bring a letter of permission from their pastor.
- If the godparents are not members of Little Flower Church, they must meet our requirements for godparents OR bring proof that they have met the requirements for godparents for their parish.

Currently infant Baptisms are scheduled on Saturday mornings in English at 9:00 am & in Spanish at 10:00 am. ***Private Baptisms are not allowed***

Classes for Baptism Preparation are held each month with a few exceptions:

(pre-registration for the class is not necessary)

- English - 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm
- Spanish - 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm

How to Schedule an Infant Baptism:

1. Parents & Godparents attend the Pre-Baptismal Preparation Class.
2. Come to the parish office, complete the Baptism Application Form and bring with you:
 - a) Parent's and Godparent's letter or certificate of attendance at Baptismal Preparation Class.
 - b) If NOT Little Flower Church Parishioners, a letter of permission from your Pastor.
 - c) Child's Birth Certificate
 - d) Donation of \$50

We look forward to celebrating your child's Baptism!