



Infant Baptism Guidelines

(Ages 0-6)

Requirements

1. Fill out a Baptism Request Form (to download, visit www.mhocrc.org/baptism)
2. Submit copy of the Birth Certificate for the child being baptized
3. Godparents (sponsor) must meet all qualifications:
 - Be at least 16 years of age,
 - Have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation,
 - Be a practicing Catholic and a member of a parish. A sponsor letter is needed from at least ONE of the godparents if they attend a church other than MHOC.
 - Parents and godparents must attend a baptismal class. Due to COVID, we are not offering pre-baptismal classes on campus. To take the class online, please visit our webpage at www.mhocrc.org/baptism, go to the Reborn section at the bottom of the page and follow the instructions to sign up and watch the videos. Call Ana Rocco at the Parish Office 954-323-8028 for instructions on how to obtain the certificate of completion of the Class.
 - You may attend a baptism preparation class at another parish, if necessary. You must provide a letter or certificate of attendance from that parish indicating the class date.

NOTE: All necessary paperwork should be completed and turned in to the office at least TWO weeks prior to the baptism.

Cost

- The suggested offering for Baptisms is \$75.00. An offering envelope will be provided after the ceremony by the priest or deacon.

The Ceremony of the Sacrament of Baptism

Schedule

- Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays at 1:30 PM (exceptions may apply). The Baptism party should arrive at the church at least 15 minutes before the scheduled time.

Baptismal Gown, Candle and Bib

- Children receiving the Sacrament of Baptism should be dressed in a white gown. We will provide the Baptismal Candle, in addition to a Baptismal Bib, as a symbolic gift from the parish. These are yours to keep as a reminder of this joyous milestone.

We look forward to helping you plan your child's Baptism. If you have any questions please contact Ana Rocco at Ana.Rocco@mhocrc.org or at (954) 323-8028.