



SAINT JOHN BOSCO CATHOLIC CHURCH

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REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE BAPTISM CELEBRATIONS ARE HELD IN SPANISH

- Child's legal birth certificate.
- Godparents must provide their Marriage certificate in the Catholic Church (if they are married). In case of single godparents, they need to present their Confirmation Certificate.
- If the parents are not registered members of St. John Bosco or do not reside within the parish boundaries, must submit a letter from their parish giving them permission to baptize their child in this parish.
- **It is mandatory that parents and godparents attend a pre-baptism class.** Pre-baptism classes are given in Spanish. **It is strictly forbidden to bring children to the class;** Classes are held on the third Saturday of the month at 10:00 am. At the Parish hall.
- If any parent practice another religion which is not the Catholic religion, the applicant must submit a notarized letter signed by the non-Catholic parent giving his/her consent for the child to be baptized in the Catholic faith.
- If the parents are separated or divorced, and one will not attend the Baptism. The applicant must submit a notarized letter signed by the other party, giving consent for the child to be baptize in the Catholic faith.
- **Baptism are celebrated on the fourth Saturday of each month at 12:00 noon.**
- **The godparents must be practicing Catholics** (Read these requirements on the reverse).
- **All documents must be submitted at least THREE WEEKS PRIOR to the date of the Baptism.**

DONATION

Although all the sacraments administered by the Catholic Church are free of charge, it is suggested a minimum donation of:

\$50.00 for registered active parishioners

\$70.00 for non-registered members that live within the parish area.

\$100.00 for others that are not registered and do not live within the parish area.

The donation for a private baptism is \$250.00 for registered active parishioners and for those who are not registered parishioners, or live outside of the Parish boundaries the donation will be \$500.00 All donations help the mission and maintenance of the Parish.

CLASS DATE: _____

BAPTISM DATE: _____

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DATE OF BAPTISM: _____

DATE OF CLASS: _____

DONATION: \$ _____

Child's Full Name

Date of Birth **Place of Birth**

State-Country

Mother's Maiden Name **Religion** **Parish**

Address **City** **State** **Zip Code**

Home Phone Number **Work Phone Number** **Cell Number**

Father's Full Name **Religion** **Parish**

Address **City** **State** **Zip Code**

Home Phone Number **Work Phone Number** **Cell Number**

Are the parents married by the catholic church? Yes _____ No _____

Is one of the parents absent from the child's live? Yes _____ No _____

**** In case that the parents of the child are separated, a notarized letter of permission from the absent parent must be presented, allowing us to baptize the child in the Catholic faith.**

Godfather's Full Name **Parish**

Address **City** **State** **Zip Code**

Sacraments Received: Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage

Godmother's Full Name **Parish**

Address **City** **State** **Zip Code**

Sacraments Received: Baptism Communion Confirmation Marriage

Is any of the Godparents represented by power? Yes _____ No _____

Was the child baptized by emergency previously? Yes _____ No _____

Name of the parent who filled this application **Signature** **Date**

PUNCTUALITY FOR THE BAPTISMS

Due to the schedule of masses and other liturgical events in our Church, it is extremely important that the baptisms begin in time. You must plan so that both parents and godparents, **arrive at least 15 minutes** before the ceremony, so the celebration can begin at the appointed time.

If you are not present at the designated time your child **may not be BAPTIZED** on that date. Thank you very much for your attention and understanding.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

MOTHER: _____

FATHER: _____

DATE: _____

REQUIREMENTS FOR GODPARENTS

1. Sponsors are chosen by the parents of the candidate. (Can. 874.1).
2. The godparents must be practicing Catholics - attend mass frequently, be registered in a parish and comply with the teachings of the Catholic faith (Can. 874.1).
3. Must have all the Sacraments: Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation (Can. 874.1.3, 874.1.4, 874,1,5).
4. If either Godparent is married, must be married in the Catholic Church.
5. Must be at least 16 years old. (Can. 874.1.2).
6. Sponsors cannot be the parents of the candidate, nor adoptive parents.
7. Cannot be sponsors if they do not have the intentions of complying with the obligations required by our Catholic Church - ensure training, direction and education of the Catholic faith of the candidate.
8. Godparents/sponsors are not people who have any type of impediment to practice the Catholic Faith.