



# CHILDREN BAPTISM REGISTRATION FORM

Newborn - 6 Years Old

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<b>OFFICE CHECK LIST</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Baptism Registration Form <input type="checkbox"/> Child's Birth Certificate <input type="checkbox"/> St. Cecilia Envelope/ID number: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Donation (Cash, Check, Online Payment) <input type="checkbox"/> Donation received by and on: _____
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<b>Office Use Only</b>	
Baptism Certificate issued by: _____	Parents interviewed by: _____
Baptism Certificate recorded by: _____	Baptism celebrated by: _____
Baptism Certificate recorded in <b>BOOK</b> : ___ <b>PAGE</b> : ___ <b>#</b> : ___ <b>Date of Baptism Ceremony</b> : _____	

## PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY

Full Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_  
(Optional Baptismal/Saint Name)                      First                      Middle                      Last

Child's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth (City and State) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Number                      Street                      Apartment

City                      State                      Zip Code                      E-mail

Phone number(s) you want to be reached \_\_\_\_\_

Who is requesting Baptism?    Mother    Father    Both

Date of Baptism Ceremony you wish: \_\_\_\_\_

**We ask you to submit ALL THE PAPERWORKS to the parish office  
as earlier as possible or one (1) month before the Date of Baptism Ceremony. Thank you very much!**

*Please fill out the next page → Please fill out the next page → Please fill out the next page →*

<b>Father's Name</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>First</span> <span>Middle</span> <span>Last</span> </div>
Is Father <b>baptized</b> ? Yes No as Catholic or Non-Catholic <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion</b> ? Yes No <b>Confirmation</b> ? Yes No <b>Date of Baptism Class:</b>	<b>Marriage Status:</b> single widower separated divorced If yes divorced, was your <i>divorced</i> marriage annulled by the Church? Yes No If no annulled, will you like to apply for annulment? Yes No Are you currently <b>married</b> ? Yes No If yes married, have you been married in the Catholic Church? Yes No If no in Church, will you want to <i>have your marriage blessed</i> in the Church soon? Yes No How soon? when _____

<b>Mother's Name</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>First</span> <span>Middle</span> <span style="color: blue;"><b>Maiden</b></span> Last         </div>
Is Mother <b>baptized</b> ? Yes No as Catholic or Non-Catholic <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion</b> ? Yes No <b>Confirmation</b> ? Yes No <b>Date of Baptism Class:</b>	<b>Marriage Status:</b> single widower separated divorced If yes divorced, was your <i>divorced</i> marriage annulled by the Church? Yes No If no annulled, will you like to apply for annulment? Yes No Are you currently <b>married</b> ? Yes No If yes married, have you been married in the Catholic Church? Yes No If no in Church, will you want to <i>have your marriage blessed</i> in the Church soon? Yes No How soon? when _____

**\* A: If there are two (2) Catholic Godparents (at least 16 years old), one must be male and the other female.**

<b>Catholic GodFather's Name</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>First</span> <span>Middle</span> <span>Last</span> </div>
Is Father <b>baptized</b> ? Yes No as Catholic or Non-Catholic <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion</b> ? Yes No <b>Confirmation</b> ? Yes No <b>Date of Baptism Class:</b>	<b>Marriage Status:</b> single widower separated divorced If yes divorced, was your <i>divorced</i> marriage annulled by the Church? Yes No If no annulled, will you like to apply for annulment? Yes No Are you currently <b>married</b> ? Yes No If yes married, have you been married in the Catholic Church? Yes No If no in Church, will you want to <i>have your marriage blessed</i> in the Church soon? Yes No How soon? when _____

<b>Catholic GodMother's Name</b>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <span>First</span> <span>Middle</span> <span>Last</span> </div>
Is Mother <b>baptized</b> ? Yes No as Catholic or Non-Catholic <b>1<sup>st</sup> Communion</b> ? Yes No <b>Confirmation</b> ? Yes No <b>Date of Baptism Class:</b>	<b>Marriage Status:</b> single widower separated divorced If yes divorced, was your <i>divorced</i> marriage annulled by the Church? Yes No If no annulled, will you like to apply for annulment? Yes No Are you currently <b>married</b> ? Yes No If yes married, have you been married in the Catholic Church? Yes No If no in Church, will you want to <i>have your marriage blessed</i> in the Church soon? Yes No How soon? when _____

**\* B: If there is one (1) Catholic Godparent, the other person can be a baptized Non-Catholic as a "Christian Witness."**

Christian Witness's Name \_\_\_\_\_  

First
Middle
Last

 Christian Witness's Faith-Denomination \_\_\_\_\_



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Dear Parents of the Children to be baptized,

Welcome to St. Cecilia! Thank you very much for considering having your child baptized here at St. Cecilia Church.

- a) For the **Baptism Registration Form**: EITHER download it from the parish website ([www.stcecilia.org](http://www.stcecilia.org)) under "Sacraments" OR pick it up at the parish office during the office hours: **Mon. – Sat., 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM**.
- b) A **donation of fifty dollars (\$50.00)** is suggested to cover the cost of materials and maintenance. Checks can be made out to "St. Cecilia Church". For Donation Online by Credit/Debit Card: please visit our parish website ([www.stcecilia.org](http://www.stcecilia.org)) and click on "Donate/Pay" online.
- c) You are encouraged to have your child baptized at the Church you attend regularly and where your child will receive their faith formation education such as First Holy Communion and Confirmation classes. If you are a member of St. Cecilia, please write on this form your **St. Cecilia Envelope/ID Number**.
- d) **Baptism Class: Mandatory for Parents and Catholic Godparents**. This class is for **adults only**. Please kindly leave your children at home. If Parents or Godparents need to babysit or have a work schedule conflict, please attend separate classes to fulfill the requirement. If Parents and Godparents have **already** attended a similar class in the past two (2) years, you will be waived to attend the class at this time after you submit your **Baptism Class Certificate** or call us to verify your attendance by our records. **Baptism Ceremony** may be postponed if both Parents and Godparents do not complete **Baptism Class**. Please read the next page for answers to the questions regarding Godparents and the requirements.
- e) We ask you to submit to us **your Child's Birth Certificate**
- f) **In order to help us to prepare everything smoothly for your child's baptism, we ask you to submit ALL the paperworks to the parish office one (1) month prior to the Baptism Ceremony. Thank you.**
- g) For more information,
  - English Baptism:** Please contact **Front Desk** at 714-544-3250, Ext. 10
  - Spanish Baptism:** Please contact **Andres Guerrero** at 714-612-7586
  - Vietnamese Baptism:** Please contact **Deacon Dong** at 714-504-9186

LANGUAGE	CLASS in the Sacristy room	CEREMONY in the Church
English	2 <sup>ND</sup> Wednesday, 7:00 PM	4 <sup>TH</sup> Sunday, 3:00 PM
Spanish	4 <sup>TH</sup> Tuesday, 6:30 PM	2 <sup>ND</sup> Sunday, <b>2:00 PM</b>
Vietnamese	1 <sup>ST</sup> Sunday, 2:00 PM	1 <sup>ST</sup> Sunday, 3:00 PM

<h2 style="margin: 0;">PARENTS CHECK LIST</h2>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Baptism Registration Form</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Child's Birth Certificate</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>St. Cecilia Envelope/ID number:</b> _____</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Donation (Cash, Check, Online Payment)</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Donation paid on:</b> _____</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Date of Baptism Class at St. Cecilia</b> _____</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Baptism Class Certificate</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Date of Baptism Ceremony at St. Cecilia</b> _____</li> </ul>
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# Questions & Answers - Children Baptism - St. Cecilia

Code of Canon Law, #774 and # 872-874 & Catechism of the Catholic Church #1255 and #1311

## 1. What is the role of a Catholic Godparent?

To be a Catholic Godparent is an honor and an awesome responsibility. It calls one to draw even deeper into the heart of Christ to gain wisdom in guiding the spiritual life of the child in the ways of Christ and His Church. The Catholic Godparent(s), together with the child's parents, must be willing to help the child being baptized to grow in love for Christ and for neighbors. By word and example, the Catholic Godparent(s) will encourage the child to live the Christian life and the Catholic faith and to fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with faith and life.

## 2. Does a Catholic Godparent need to be a Catholic?

**YES, A CATHOLIC GODPARENT MUST BE A FAITH-PRACTICING CATHOLIC**, and he/she

- has received **the three (3) Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation**.
- is at least **16 years of age**.
- attends Mass regularly on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
- is a registered member of a Catholic Parish.
- is **not** the parent of the child being baptized.
- has the manner of life in harmony with the Faith and the Role of a Catholic Godparent to be undertaken.
- **If married: he/she is married by the Catholic priest/deacon. The current marriage is canonically valid and recognized as such by the Catholic Church.**
- understands the responsibilities of and assumes the obligations of a Catholic Godparent for Baptism.
- declares, by prayer and example, to encourage and instruct a child in living out the Catholic faith.
- testifies before God and God's minister to the truth of what is stated here above.

*In summary:* The Catholic Godparent takes on the responsibility to be a role model and teacher to the child in the practice of the Catholic faith. **Non-practicing Catholics** are not in a position to fulfill this role. **Again, Catholic Godparents must be faith-practicing Catholics.**

## 3. Who is a Christian Witness?

If the person is a baptized non-Catholic person, he/she **cannot** be admitted as a Catholic Godparent. However, if the baptized non-Catholic person has a valid baptism in his/her Christian Faith, then he/she can be admitted to serve as a **Christian Witness** to the event of the Baptism Ceremony.

## 4. How many Catholic Godparents should your child have at Baptism?

There are 3 choices:

- a) **ONE (1) CATHOLIC GODPARENT** (of either gender).  
Either a **Catholic GodMother** or a **Catholic GodFather**.
- b) **TWO (2) CATHOLIC GODPARENTS** (One of each gender).  
One is a **Catholic GodMother**, & the other is a **Catholic GodFather**.
- c) **ONE (1) CATHOLIC GODPARENT** (of either gender), & **A CHRISTIAN WITNESS** (of the opposite gender).  
One is a **Catholic Godparent**, & the other is a **Christian Witness** as a witness to the event of the Baptism Ceremony.

## 5. Do both parents need to be Catholic in order to have a child baptized?

No, there is no need to have both parents being Catholic in order to have a child baptized. It is sufficient that one Catholic parent is making a request for Baptism. However, the other parent, who is non-Catholic, should be informed, be happy and be pleased to have his/her child being baptized in the Catholic Church.

## 6. Why do we ask for the "maiden last name" of the mother of the child?

We follow Birth Certificate. Thus, her "maiden last name" is recorded in the Baptism certificate of her child.

## 7. If parents or catholic godparents simply attend the class because the baptism occurs somewhere else,

**A donation of twenty dollars (\$20.00)** is suggested to cover the cost of materials and maintenance.