



St. Lawrence Parish Community

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We are looking forward to celebrating your child's Baptism. The following should assist you in your preparations. Please feel free to contact the parish office should your need additional information.

- Invite your families and friends to join you for Mass prior to the celebration. This is a joyful time for your family. Baptism is celebrated the first Sunday of the month immediately following the 10:30 am Mass.
- At least ONE Sponsor (Godparent) MUST be a practicing Catholic in good standing. This fact MUST be supported by their own Pastor's documentation of Church membership and participation. The Sponsor Certificate must be provided to our office one week BEFORE the Baptism celebration (NO exceptions permitted-this is Church Law). This same Sponsor must also have been BOTH Baptized and Confirmed, therefore TEENS who have not been Confirmed, may not serve as Sponsors. Sponsors must be at least 16 years old.
- Children who are 7 years of age or older need to attend Baptismal Preparation. Parents will be called by person doing the Preparation. Parents must attend with child.
- Please call us IMMEDIATELY if you need to cancel/change your scheduled date for the Baptism.
- A Baptism Certificate will be issued on the day of Baptism. Please examine carefully for clerical errors on our part. We will be glad to issue you another if needed.
- We look forward to welcoming your child to our parish community in full membership with the Church.

Fr. Gerard L. Bertin, Pastor

NOTE: If you as a couple were not married in the Catholic Church and desire the blessing of your marriage, please notify Father Gerry.