

# ST. MARY'S BAPTISM CHECKLIST

## REQUESTS FOR BAPTISM

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### FOR MEMBERS OF OUR OWN PARISH

#### ***Paperwork Requirements***

- Fill out Baptism registration form (found in office or printed off website)
- Attach copy of child's birth certificate.

#### ***Parents***

- At least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, and both parents approve of child's baptism.
- Parents must attend baptism preparation classes at the parish.

#### ***Godparents***

- At least one godparent must be a confirmed, practicing Catholic.
- If godparents are a couple they must be validly married.
- Must attend baptism preparation classes
  - *Out of town Godparents- must provide a letter from their home parish/pastor stating they are in good standing and/or have completed baptism classes, and the parish/pastor must give their permission for the godparents to serve as godparents.*

### FOR MEMBERS OF OTHER PARISHES

- Must have letter with home parish/pastor's permission for baptism to be scheduled at St. Mary's as well as all other above requirements completed.

### CHILDREN 7 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER

#### ***In Parish***

- Must be enrolled and attending religious education classes and preparing to receive sacraments — 2 year program preparation.

#### ***Baptizing outside of our Parish***

- Must provide a letter from the home parish/Pastor approving the baptism.
- Must have letter indicating completion of sacrament preparation for Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation through religious education program or Catholic school.

*There is a set date for baptisms in English and Spanish every month. All paperwork must be completed and returned to the parish office two weeks prior to the week of baptism.*