



Requirements for Baptism

Date of Class: _____

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- **PARENTS AND GODPARENTS** – must attend a Baptism Preparation Class at least one month prior to the date of the Celebration of the Sacrament.
(i.e. Take the Baptism Prep Class in January to Baptize in February)
- Baptism Preparation Class is from 9 am to 12 noon on the First Saturday of each month in Austin Hall
- Family must be a registered at the Church.
- **PARENTS AND GODPARENTS MUST ATTEND THE CLASS** – if the godparents live outside the city, they must have attend a class in the city they live in and bring a letter from the parish stating they have completed the class.
- **Complete the Baptism record prior to coming in to the class** (the yellow sheet) **COMPLETELY.**
- **AT LEAST ONE GODPARENT MUST BE A PRACTICING CATHOLIC.** They need to be an active member of St. John Neumann, or get a letter from their parish stating that they are an active member and a practicing Catholic.
- **GODPARENTS MUST:**
 - Be at least 16 years of age
 - Have received the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation
 - Be single or married under the Catholic Church
 - Couples living together or who are married only civilly, are **not eligible** to be Godparents.
- **THE SECONDARY GODPARENT MAY BE A NON CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN.** But cannot be a non-baptized person.
- **THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM IS USUALLY SET ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH.**
- The suggested donation for a Baptism is \$50, delivered the day of the Baptism. Some couples chose to give more, and that is always appreciated. The offering envelopes will be given to parents at the Baptism Class so they can prepare and bring it the day of the Baptism
- For more information or to register please contact the Parish Office at (704) 536 – 6520