



CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY

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REQUEST FOR THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit (*vitae spiritualis ianua*), and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as children of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water and in the word." (CCC 1213)

The Church of Nativity customarily celebrates the Sacrament of Baptism on the fourth Sunday of the month following the 10:30 am Mass. To schedule a baptism, return this form to the parish office, and you will be contacted to confirm details.

As a condition for baptism, at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic. At least one godparent must be a practicing Catholic who will serve as a fitting role model for your child. A baptized Christian may serve along with a godparent as a Christian Witness. The Godparents need not be physically present for the ceremony, but may be represented by proxy.

INFORMATION FOR THE BAPTISMAL REGISTER (Please print legibly)

Full Name of the Child: _____ Gender _____

Child's Date of Birth: _____ Child's City/ State of Birth: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____ Maiden Name: _____

Mother's Religion: _____ Practicing? _____

Father's Full Name: _____

Father's Religion: _____ Practicing? _____

Parent's Mailing Address: _____

Parent's Telephone Number: _____

Parent's Email Address: _____

Godfather/Christian Witness: _____ Catholic? _____ Practicing? _____

Godmother/Christian Witness: _____ Catholic? _____ Practicing? _____

Requested Baptism Date: The 4th Sunday of the Month of _____

To Be Completed by Parish Staff:

Scheduled Date: _____ Time: _____

Form Received: _____ Class Date: _____ Scheduled: _____ Recorded: _____

Performed By: _____ Date: _____

Letter and Certificate Mailed (Date): _____