

Baptism Registration Forms

Dear Parents,

Enclosed are the forms and guidelines for obtaining the Sacrament of Baptism for Infants (newborns - age 6) at Our Lady Star of the Sea.

We ask you to read it carefully and provide us with all information necessary as you prepare for the baptism of your child. All information needed is in conformity with the Guidelines for Infant Baptism for the Diocese of St. Augustine.

Baptism is no mere social convention, but the Sacrament in which Christ Himself purifies, justifies and sanctifies (cf. 1 Peter 1:23) your child for eternal life. We rejoice with you in the birth of your child and look forward to welcoming him/her into the family of God and the communion of the Holy Catholic Church.

Please contact our Parish Office (904) 285-2698 if you have any questions, and may God bless you and your child.

CHECKLIST FOR BAPTISM OF INFANTS

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church

545 A1A North · Ponte Vedra Beach, FL · 32082

For Parents:

_____ Attend a Baptism Preparation Class, either at Our Lady Star of the Sea or another parish (if you have taken a baptism class within the past three years, **you do not need to take another class**).

_____ Complete Infant Baptism Request Form and turn in to the Parish Office, **along with the following:**

- Must be a registered member of the parish for at least 3 months.
- If you are not a parishioner of Our Lady Star of the Sea** - A letter from your parish pastor granting permission for your child to be baptized at Our Lady Star of the Sea.
- Baptisms take place every Sunday after the 11:00 A.M. Mass except holidays.
- Certificates of attendance at a Baptism Preparation class within the past three years, for parents.
- Letters of Eligibility from the parish of each Godparent
- Suggested Readings are provided in this package.
- A Baptismal candle is provided by the parish.

For Godparents*:

_____ Ask each Godparent to request Letter of Eligibility from the parish of each Godparent. The letter must be signed by the pastor and stamped with the parish seal.

***For a person to stand as a Godparent or Sponsor, the following requirements must be met:**

- Be designated by the candidate, parents, guardians, or pastor
- Have the intention of performing the role of sponsor
- Be at least 16 years old
- Be a fully initiated Catholic (received Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation)
- Lead a life in harmony with the Faith and role of a sponsor (i.e. be a registered member of a parish, attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days and faithful to the laws of the Church regarding marriage)
- Understand the responsibility of undertaking and have the desire and intention to fulfill it faithfully.
- Not bound by any canonical penalty
- There is to be only one male sponsor or one female sponsor or one of each. Canon Law-873
- Not the father or mother of the candidate

At least one of the persons you choose must fulfil these requirements. If you wish to honor a non-Catholic member of your family, they may stand as a Christian Witness to your child's Baptism.

INFANT BAPTISM REQUEST FORM
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Please print all information clearly.

Name of Child:

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Male or Female

Date of Birth _____ City & State of Birth _____

Name of Mother:

First _____ Middle _____ Maiden _____

Religion of Mother _____

Name of Father:

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Religion of Father _____

Mailing Address _____

Daytime Phone _____

Has your child been previously baptized? _____ If so, where? _____

Parish where you are registered _____ How long? _____

Requested Date of Baptism (choose two dates): _____

Questions Regarding Marriage and Family

Are you married? _____ Name of Church _____

Date of Marriage _____ City & State _____

If not married in a church, where were you married? _____

Did you, as an individual/couple, decide to marry outside of the Catholic Church because of a divorce situation? _____

Were you given permission by the Catholic Diocese in which you were married to have your wedding at a place other than a Catholic Church? _____

Questions Regarding Godparents

Godfather's Name: _____ Is the Godfather a Catholic? Yes No

Godmother's Name: _____ Is the Godmother a Catholic? Yes No

Is either Godparent represented by a proxy? Yes No

We hereby request the Sacrament of Baptism for our child:

Father _____ **Date** _____

Mother _____ **Date** _____

SIGNATURE OF PRIEST/DEACON PERFORMING BAPTISM CLASS: _____

DATE: _____ **PDS #** _____

INFANT BAPTISM REQUEST FORM - GODPARENT

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GODPARENT INFORMATION (for Godparents attending the class)

Do you need a letter/certificate of attendance of Baptism Class? Yes No

Godparent Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Name of Child to be sponsored: _____

Name of Church to mail certificate: _____

Address of Church to mail certificate _____

Date of Baptism: _____