

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH IN BARRIE
BAPTISM REGISTRATION FORM

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Please print the following information:

Today's Date _____

CHILD'S INFORMATION

Child's Full Name _____
First Middle Last

Date of Birth _____ Gender Male Female
Month/Day/Year

City of Birth _____ Province _____

Is this your first child to be baptized? Yes No

PARENTS' INFORMATION – MUST MATCH BIRTH CERTIFICATE!

Father's Name _____
First Middle Last

Is the child's father Catholic? Yes No If no, what religion? _____

Mother's **Maiden** Name _____
First Middle Last

Is the child's mother Catholic? Yes No If no, what religion? _____

Are parents married in the Catholic Church? Yes No

Home Address _____ Apt # _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal _____

Home Telephone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

E-mail Address _____

GODPARENTS

Godparents play an important role in the life of a child. A child's Baptism is a very special day. Baptism is the first of the seven sacraments in the life of the Catholic Church. As such, it is the gateway into the Christian life. This sacrament can only be celebrated once in a person's life, making it a day to be remembered.

The Church follows Canon Law for requirements regarding godparents. These are not a judgment on other people, but rather a way to ensure that a child baptized into the Catholic Church has a Godparent who can relate to their faith and help to pass it on.

Canon Law sections 872-874 state that Godparents for baptism are:

- at least 16 years old
- fully initiated into Catholic Church (have received sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist)
- not the child's mother or father
- in good standing with the Catholic Church; if married, then married in a Catholic ceremony or else have received a blessing of the marriage from the Church

In order to baptise a child you need to have at least one Godparent. You can have two Godparents, but in this case one should be male and one female. You can't have more than two Godparents registered in the Church Register. As long as you have one qualified Catholic Godparent you can also choose one baptized Christian, who is not Catholic, as a Christian witness.

GODFATHER'S INFORMATION

Godfather's Name _____ Religion _____
First Last

Home Parish _____ Registered? Yes No

Is the Godfather: (please check all boxes that apply)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> At least 16 years old | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Confirmed Catholic | <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Witness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Married in the Catholic Church | <input type="checkbox"/> Married in Civil Ceremony |

GODMOTHER'S INFORMATION

Godmother's Name _____ Religion _____
First Last

Home Parish _____ Registered? Yes No

Is the Godmother: (please check all boxes that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> At least 16 years old | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Confirmed Catholic | <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Witness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Married in the Catholic Church | <input type="checkbox"/> Married in Civil Ceremony |

I have read and understand the requirements for godparents set by Canon Law and provide the information to the best of my knowledge. (Please initial: _____)