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+ THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM +

Congratulations on the birth of your child! The Most Holy Trinity parish family extends its warm wishes and prayers as you prepare to have your child Baptized into the Roman Catholic Church. The priests and deacons are here to assist you in this process. Any practicing Catholic who is a registered member of Most Holy Trinity Parish can have his or her child baptized here.

These are the documents in the packet:

- Baptism Information Form.
- Guidelines for choosing Sponsors (Godparents).
- Godparents/Sponsors what is expected of them.
- Baptism offering Envelope.

If the sponsor is not a member of Most Holy Trinity Parish, he/she must present a **Sponsor Certificate** from the parish at which he/she is registered. Sponsor Certificates are then brought to our parish office as soon as possible.

If the sponsor is a member of Most Holy Trinity Parish, he/she must contact our parish office at 203-269-8791 as soon as possible for instructions to obtain a Sponsor Certificate.

SCHEDULING A DATE FOR BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated in English on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 12:00 P.M. and in Spanish on the 4th Saturday of the month at 12:00 P.M. at Most Holy Trinity Campus and by appointment at Our Lady of Fatima Campus.

In order to schedule a date for Baptism, four (4) requirements must be met:

1. You have attended the Pre-Baptism Program.
2. You have completed and submitted the Registration Form for Infant Baptism.
3. You have submitted the signed sponsor certificates for Godparents.
4. You have submitted a copy of the child's birth certificate.

A date will not be scheduled for your child's Baptism until these requirements are met. **There is a limit of six (6) children that can be baptized on any given Saturday**, so completing the requirements quickly and well in advance will ensure that you can schedule the date you would like before it fills up.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

Parents of children to be baptized at Most Holy Trinity Parish must attend the **Baptismal Preparation Catechesis**, which is held using ZOOM. This is an Archdiocesan requirement for parents having children Baptized in the Catholic Church. Parents and godparents must attend a baptism preparation class. The program will consist of an explanation of the Sacrament of Baptism, as well as an overview of the Baptismal Ceremony. Please contact the parish office to register for the class.

AN OFFERING IN GRATITUDE TO GOD

Although there is no set fee for the Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism, an offering to Most Holy Trinity Parish should be considered. A special envelope is provided for this offering. Although an offering is practical in the sense that it helps defray costs, it is also symbolic as it bespeaks a commitment to the Church and your thanksgiving to God. *We need to emphasize that this is an offering to the Parish, not a payment for services rendered to the Priest or Deacon Baptizing your child.*

These guidelines for Baptism at Most Holy Trinity Parish, are based on the guidelines established by the Archdiocese of Hartford and are not meant to be restrictive or punitive. They are meant to ensure us that the Faith will be passed on in a proper and healthy way. Baptism is a commitment to Christ and His Church. We are willing to work with you to help you accomplish what is necessary to create the proper environment for your child's life in the Catholic Faith.

May the Lord continue to bless you and your family during this grace filled time.

Reverend Andrés Mendoza Floyd, Pastor
Reverend Colin Lane, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Joseph Mazurek, Permanent Deacon
Deacon José Robles, Permanent Deacon